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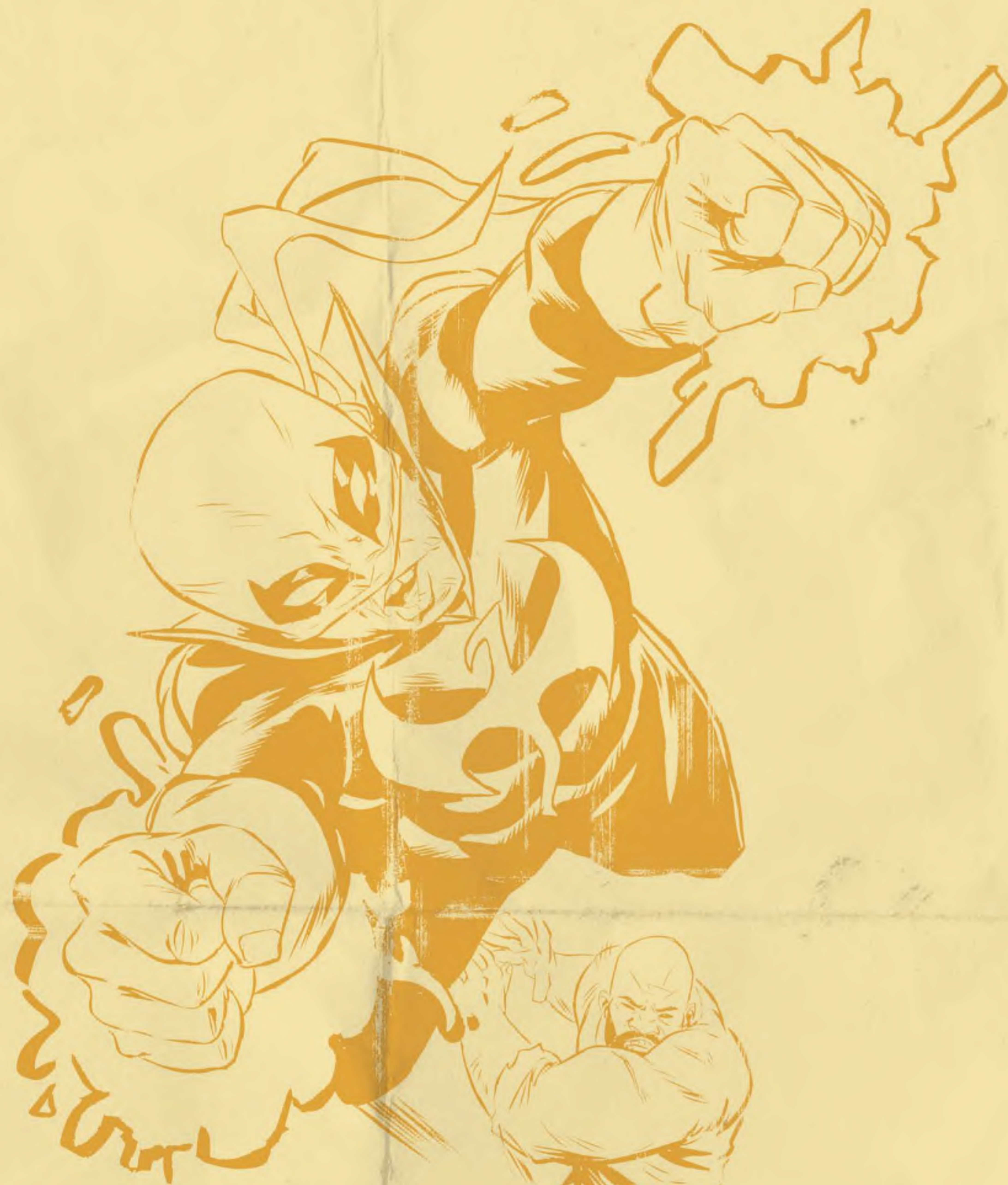
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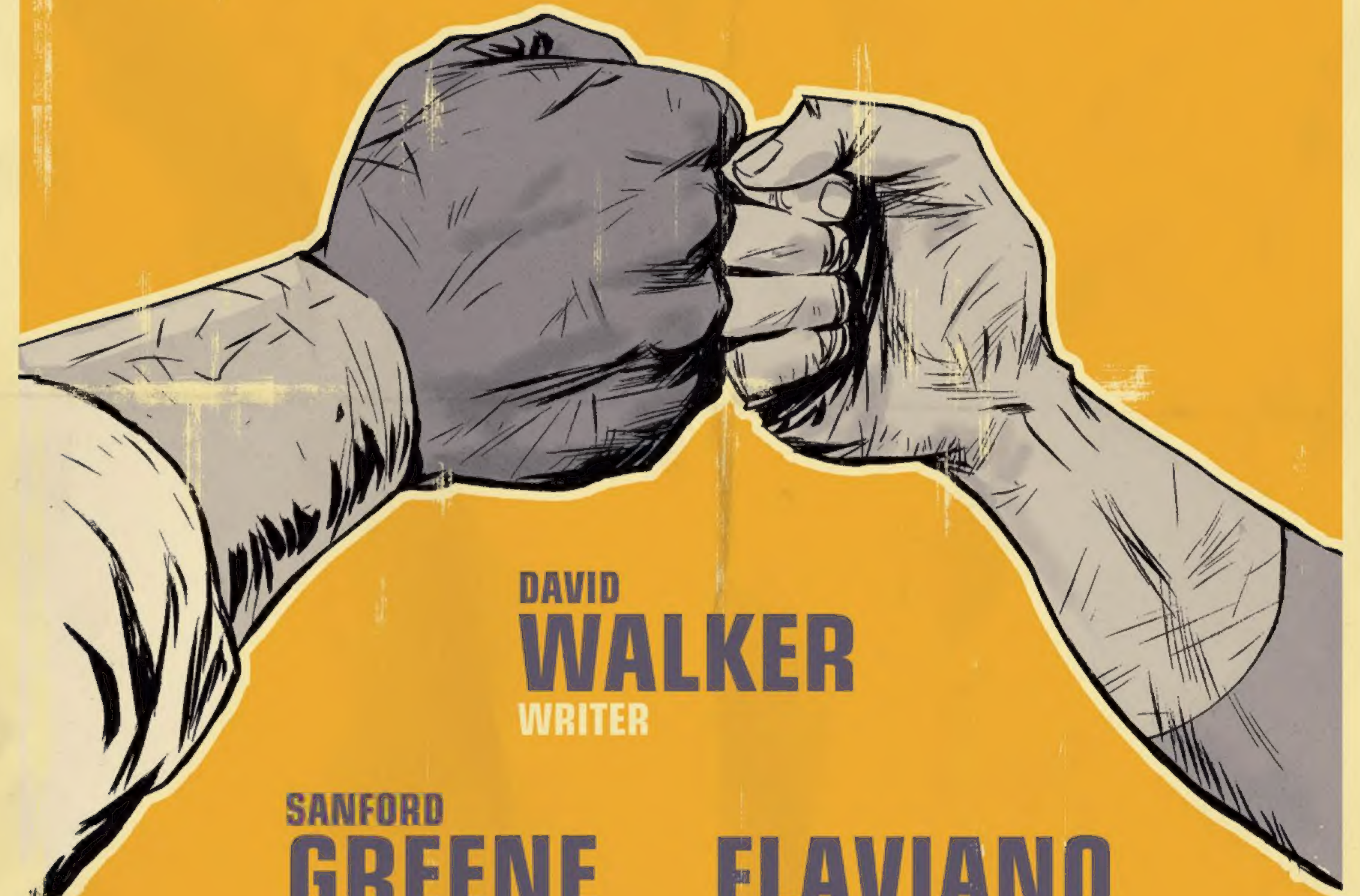
POWER MAN

ORPHAN DANIEL RAND EARNED THE POWER OF THE IRON FIST IN THE MYSTICAL CITY OF K'UN LUN. AS AN ADULT, DANNY OVERSEES THE RAND CORPORATION AND MOONLIGHTS AS IRON FIST: KUNG FU DEFENDER OF THE INNOCENT.

PRISONER LUKE CAGE WAS SUBJECTED TO EXPERIMENTS THAT GAVE HIM SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH AND DURABILITY. AS POWER MAN, HE'S BEEN A HERO AND AN AVENGER, AND NOW A HUSBAND AND FATHER.

ONCE UPON A TIME, THEY WERE THE HEROES FOR HIRE.

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LUKE CAGE

(A.K.A. POWER MAN, THOUGH HE DOESN'T LIKE BEING CALLED THAT.)

...NO, BABY, IT'S ALL GOOD. ME AND DANNY JUST GOTTA TAKE CARE OF THIS THING. I'LL HAVE THE CAR BACK SOON.

IS THAT JESSICA? TELL HER I SAID "HEY. KISS THE BABY FOR ME."

DANNY RAND

(A.K.A. IRON FIST, AND HE HAS NO PROBLEM BEING CALLED THAT.)



ARE YOU AND HIM BACK TOGETHER AGAIN?

JESSICA JONES

(SUPER HERO, MOTHER, LUKE'S BETTER HALF.)



NO, BABY. WE ARE **NOT** BACK TOGETHER. JUST GOTTA TAKE CARE OF THIS THING.

TELL JESSICA I SAID "HOWYOUDOIN'?"



A **THING**? OKAY. JUST REMEMBER-- YOU'RE THE ONE WHO KEEPS SAYING YOU DON'T WANT TO GET THE BAND BACK TOGETHER.

AND I DON'T. THIS IS JUST ME AND HIM DOING WHAT WE GOTTA DO.

THEN GO DO IT. I JUST DON'T WANT TO SEE ANY TIARA PICS. I LOVE YOU.

LOVE YOU, TOO, BABY.



DID YOU TELL HER I SAID "HEY"?

YOU'RE STANDIN' RIGHT THERE. YOU HEARD EVERYTHING I SAID. DID YOU HEAR ME TELL HER YOU SAID "HEY"?

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL HER?



WE'VE GOT HISTORY, MAN. WE'RE PARTNERS--BEST FRIENDS. POWER MAN AND IRON FIST.

AND YOUR WIFE DOESN'T EVEN LIKE ME BECAUSE YOU DON'T PASS ALONG MY FRIENDLY OVERTURES.

FIRST OF ALL, WE'RE NOT PARTNERS ANYMORE. SECOND, JESSICA LIKES YOU FINE. SHE JUST PREFERS *SILENT* DANNY OVER *TALKING* DANNY.

I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS. DID SHE REALLY SAY THAT? DOES SHE REALLY HATE IT WHEN I TALK?



NO, MAN. JESSICA DOESN'T HATE IT WHEN YOU TALK. SHE'S JUST LIKE ME, IN THAT SHE APPRECIATES YOUR SILENCE MORE.

YOU HURT ME, LUKE. DEEP DOWN IN MY SOUL--IT HURTS.

NOBODY LOVES YOU LIKE I DO, BROTHER.



THANKS.

I JUST APPRECIATE YOU BEING HERE FOR THIS. I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT THIS PLACE.

YEAH, WELL...



"...FIGURE WITH ALL THAT'S HAPPENED, IT'S THE LEAST EITHER OF US CAN DO, DANNY."

"JUST WISH WE COULD'VE DONE MORE, LUKE."

"...GOT ALL YOUR STUFF? TIME TO GET MOVING."



"WE DID ALL WE COULD DO, AND NO ONE DID MORE THAN YOU..."

"...YOU PAID FOR LEGAL FEES. TESTIFIED IN COURT. THERE'S **NOTHING** MORE YOU COULD'VE DONE."



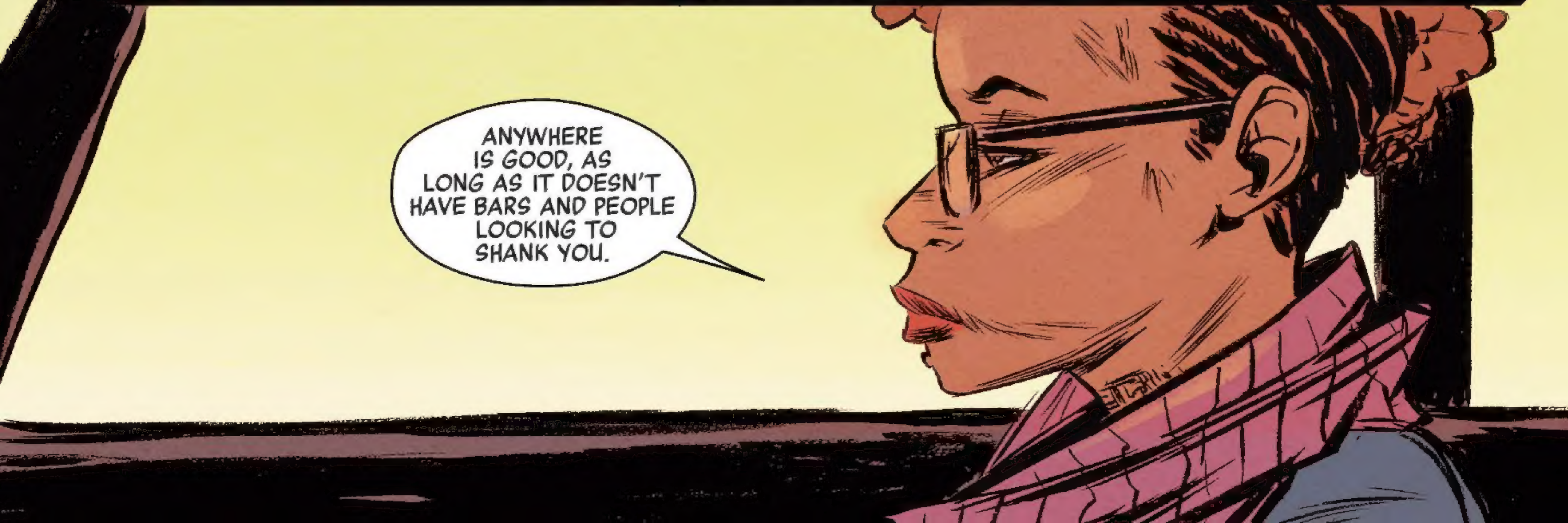
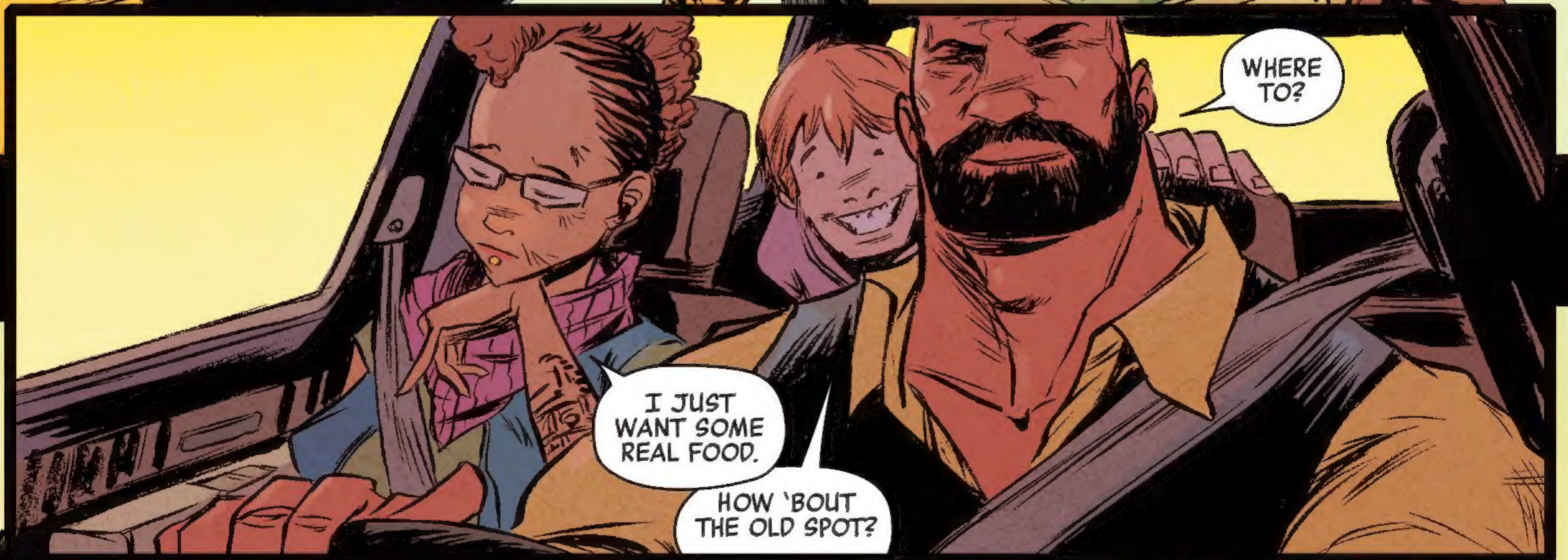
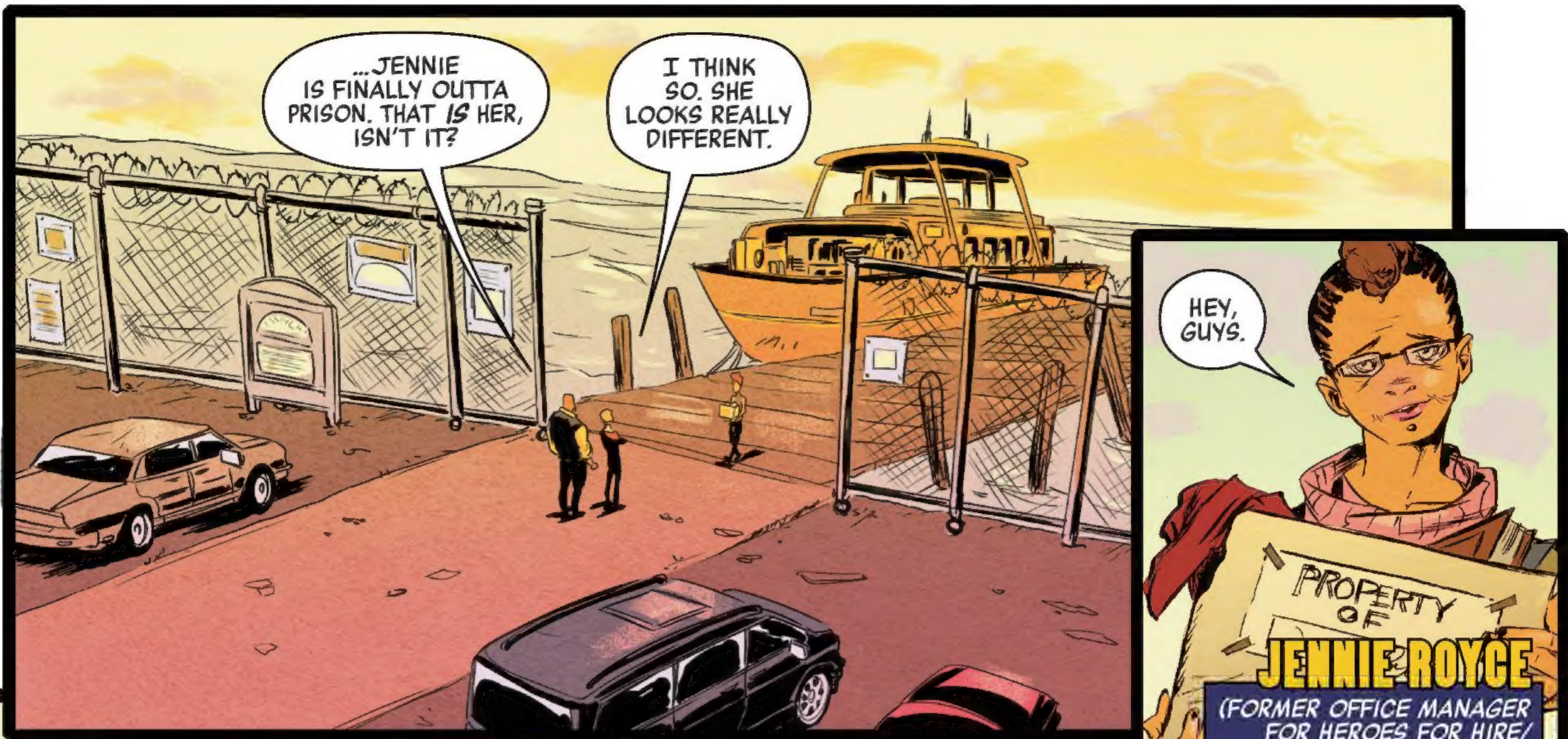
"YEAH, I KNOW-- SOMETIMES THE WHEELS OF JUSTICE GRIND REALLY SLOW. STILL..."



"...I FEEL BAD FOR NOT DOING **ENOUGH**. IT'S BEEN MORE THAN FIVE YEARS."

LOOK, MAN, IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOU AND ME, DOING ALL WE DID, IT WOULD'VE BEEN EVEN LONGER."

IT'S **TERRIBLE** WHAT HAPPENED-- NO ONE KNOWS BETTER THAN ME. BUT IT'S OVER..."





EXCELSIOR DINER

(PREFERRED EATERY OF SUPER HEROES AND CRIME-FIGHTERS.)



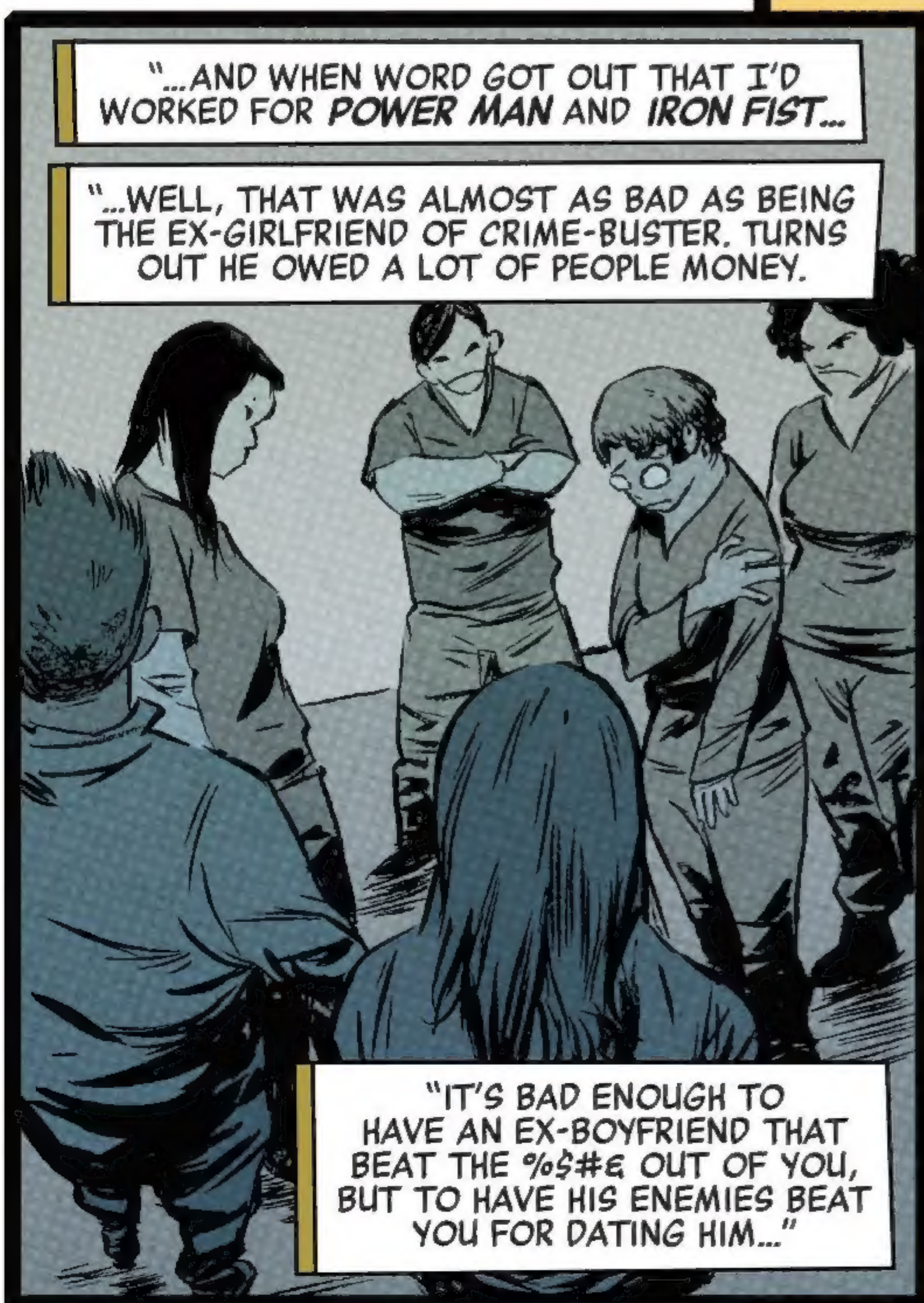
IT'S JUST... I GOT A THING WITH PRISONS...

YOU DON'T NEED TO EXPLAIN.



LIFE WAS A LIVING HELL--WORSE THAN THE WORST NIGHTMARE.

PRISON CHANGES YOU. IT CHEWS YOU UP...



"...AND WHEN WORD GOT OUT THAT I'D WORKED FOR **POWER MAN** AND **IRON FIST**...

"...WELL, THAT WAS ALMOST AS BAD AS BEING THE EX-GIRLFRIEND OF CRIME-BUSTER. TURNS OUT HE OWED A LOT OF PEOPLE MONEY.

"IT'S BAD ENOUGH TO HAVE AN EX-BOYFRIEND THAT BEAT THE %\$#& OUT OF YOU, BUT TO HAVE HIS ENEMIES BEAT YOU FOR DATING HIM..."



...THAT'S SOMETHING ELSE.

OH WELL, IT'S LIKE NIETZSCHE SAID, "THAT WHICH DOESN'T KILL US, BLAH BLAH BLAH."



UM...

IS THERE ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO HELP YOU GET BACK ON YOUR FEET?



I MEAN ANYTHING.

I DON'T KNOW...

WHATEVER IT IS--WE WANT TO HELP.



IT'S...WELL... I WOULDN'T FEEL RIGHT ASKING FOR THIS KIND OF HELP--EVEN FROM YOU GUYS.



DON'T BE RIDICULOUS. WHATEVER IT IS, WE WANT TO HELP YOU. ALL THOSE YEARS YOU WORKED FOR US AT HEROES FOR HIRE--YOU'RE FAMILY, JENNIE.

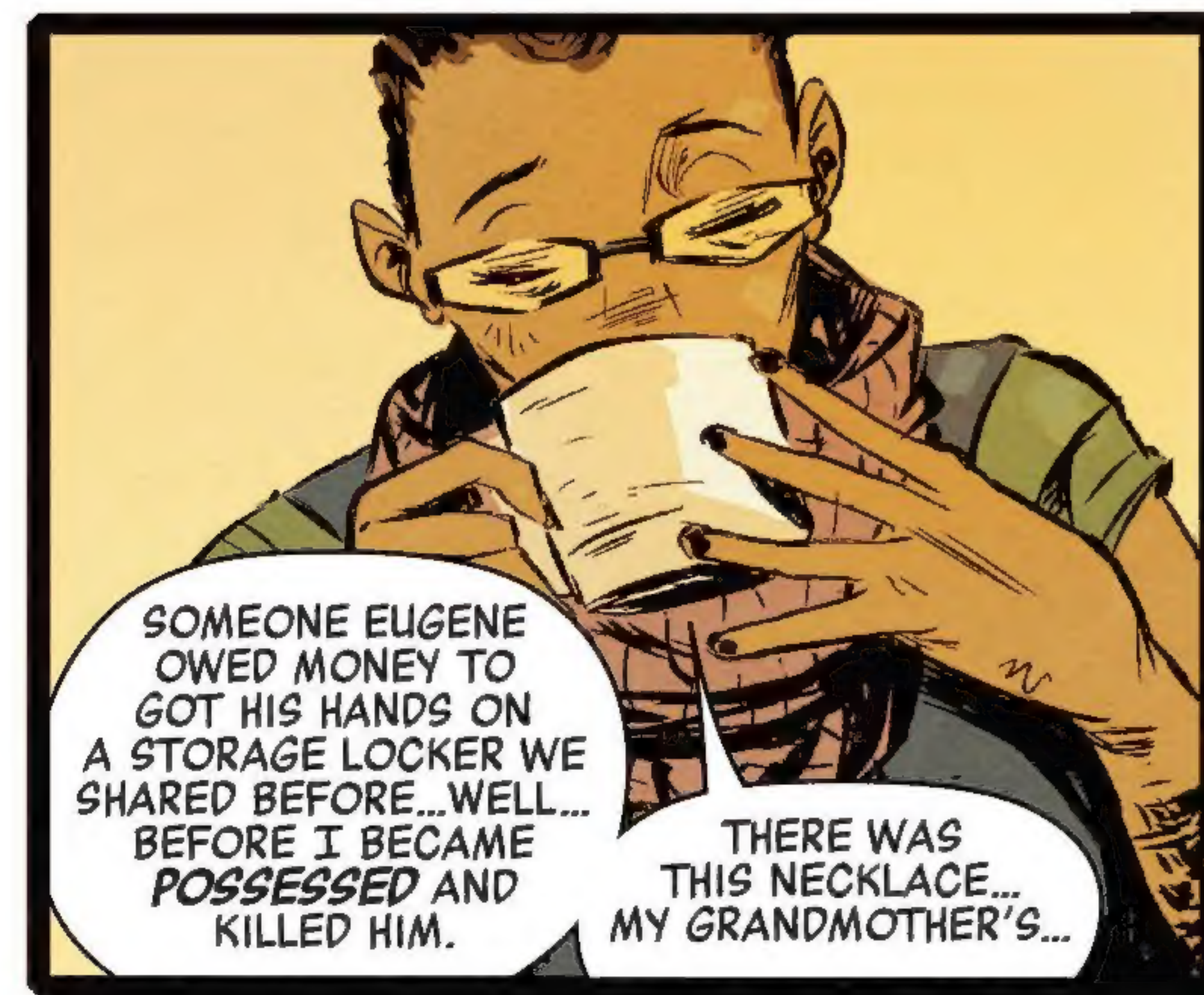


IT'S ABOUT MY EX-BOYFRIEND. FOR A GUY WHO CALLED HIMSELF CRIME-BUSTER, HE HAD A LOT OF BUSINESS DEALINGS WITH SOME SHADY PEOPLE.



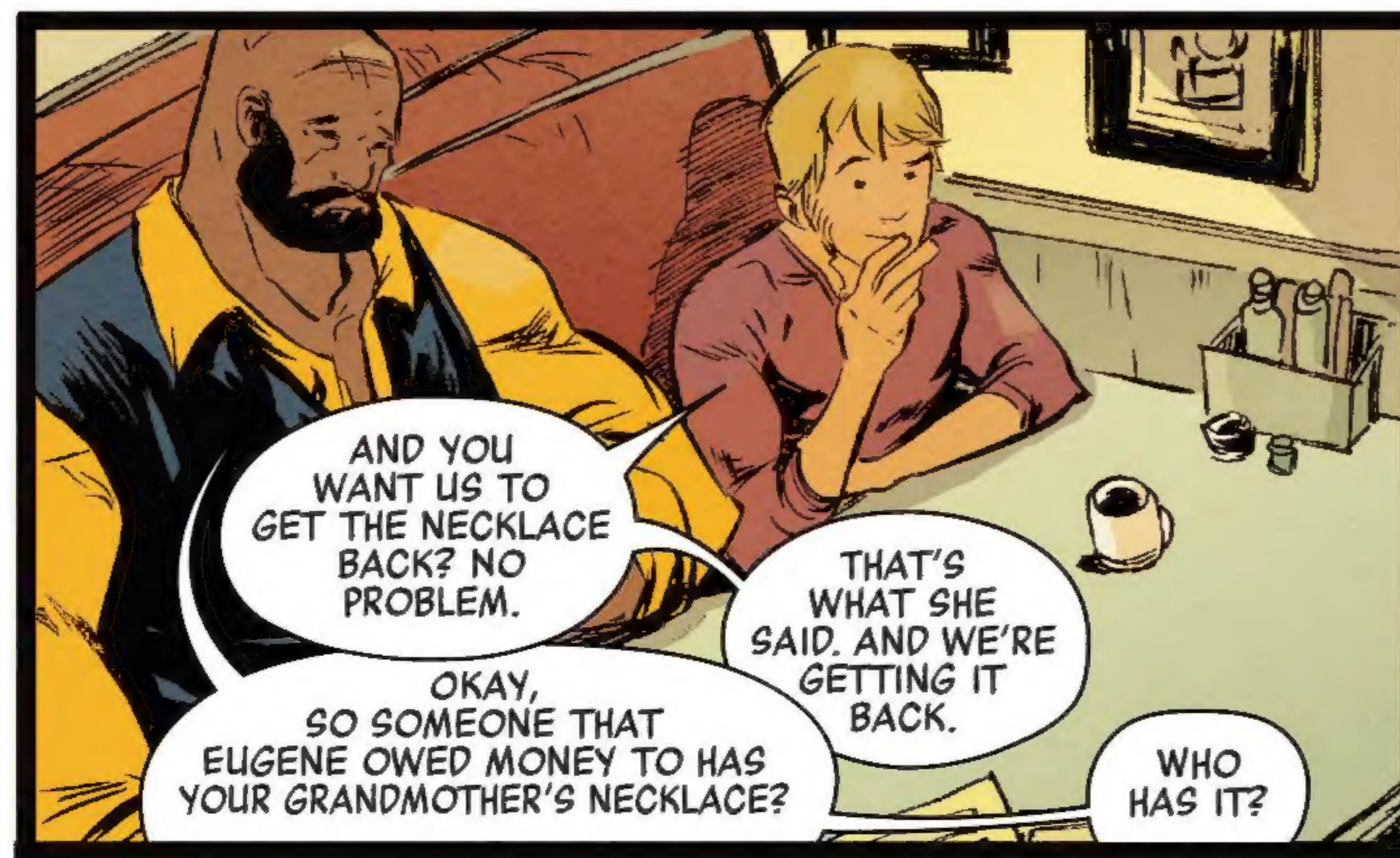
I THINK WE CAN ALL AGREE EUGENE WAS NO PRIZE.

DEFINITELY. HOW CAN WE HELP?



SOMEONE EUGENE OWED MONEY TO GOT HIS HANDS ON A STORAGE LOCKER WE SHARED BEFORE...WELL... BEFORE I BECAME POSSESSED AND KILLED HIM.

THERE WAS THIS NECKLACE... MY GRANDMOTHER'S...



AND YOU WANT US TO GET THE NECKLACE BACK? NO PROBLEM.

THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID. AND WE'RE GETTING IT BACK.

OKAY, SO SOMEONE THAT EUGENE OWED MONEY TO HAS YOUR GRANDMOTHER'S NECKLACE?

WHO HAS IT?



THIS GUY...HE'S BAD NEWS. I MEAN REALLY BAD NEWS. I'D TOTALLY UNDERSTAND IF YOU DIDN'T DO IT.



WHO IS IT?

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. WE GOT THIS. WE WILL GET THE NECKLACE BACK.

SERIOUSLY, WHO HAS THE NECKLACE?



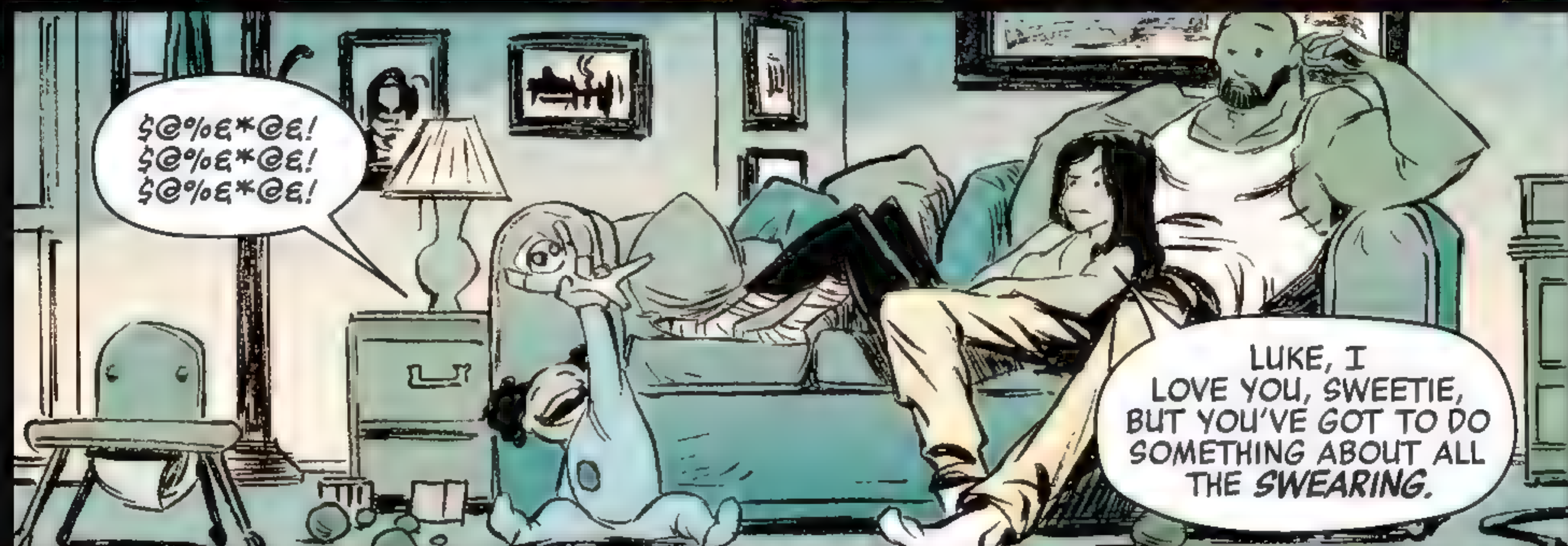
LATER...

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU SAID WE'D DO THIS.

IT'S FOR JENNIE, MAN. SHE'S FAMILY.

YEAH, SHE'S FAMILY. BUT THIS IS A BUNCH OF FIDDLE-FADDLE.

WHAT THE HELL IS FIDDLE-FADDLE?



\$@%*! \$@%*! \$@%*!

LUKE, I LOVE YOU, SWEETIE, BUT YOU'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT ALL THE SWEARING.



WOW, JESSICA KEEPS YOU ON A SHORT LEASH.



WE'RE NOT TALKIN' 'BOUT MY RELATIONSHIP WITH MY WIFE. WE'RE TALKIN' 'BOUT THE FIDDLE-FADDLE FAVOR YOU COMMITTED US TO DOING.

BET YOU CAN'T SAY FIDDLE-FADDLE FAVOR FIVE TIMES FAST.

COULD YOU STOP ANNOYING THE FIDDLE-FADDLE OUT OF ME? COULD YOU DO THAT?



CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE DOING THIS.

YOU ALREADY SAID THAT. JENNIE IS FAMILY.

AND YOU SAID THAT. JUST LET ME DO ALL THE TALKING. OKAY? THIS GUY IS A BAD KNICK-KNACK-PADDY-WHACK.

A BAD WHAT?



LONNIE LINCOLN

(A.K.A. TOMBSTONE, HE RUNS ORGANIZED CRIME NORTH OF 110TH STREET.)

S'UP, LUKE.

BEEN A MINUTE.

DIDN'T KNOW YOU WAS BACK TOGETHER WITH IRON MAN.

FIST. IRON FIST.

AND WE AIN'T BACK TOGETHER, PER SE. JUST TWO FRIENDS KICKIN' IT.

GOOD TO SEE YOU, LONNIE. I LIKE THAT SUIT.

KICKIN' IT, HUH? AND YOU AND IRON MAN JUST DECIDED TO PAY A VISIT TO YOUR OLD BOY, LONNIE?

LET'S SKIP THE %\$#@, AND TELL ME WHA'CHU WANT.

FIRST, I WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR COMING BY UNANNOUNCED. APPRECIATE YOU OPENIN' THE DOOR LIKE THIS. MEANS A LOT TO ME.

STRAIGHT UP--WE'RE DOING A FAVOR FOR A FRIEND. YOU KNOW HOW THAT IS.

SEEMS THERE'S A BIT OF CONFUSION ABOUT PERSONAL BELONGINGS OF SAID FRIEND, WHICH HAVE INADVERTENTLY COME INTO YOUR POSSESSION.

SOUNDS LIKE SOMEONE'S CALLING ME A THIEF.



AIN'T NO ONE CALLIN' YOU A THIEF, LONNIE.

BUT THERE'S A NECKLACE--RED STONE WITH A DESIGN CARVED INTO IT. BELONGS TO A GOOD FRIEND. IT WAS MIXED IN WITH SOME OTHER THINGS THAT BELONGED TO EUGENE MASON...



...WHICH YOU ACQUIRED DUE TO A DEBT HE LEFT UNPAID.

I KNOW EUGENE MASON. FOOL NEVER OWED ME ANY MONEY...



...WHICH MEANS SOMEONE'S BEEN CALLIN' ME A THIEF, AND TELLIN' LIES ON ME.

AS FOR THE NECKLACE...



...IT'S MINE. I WON THIS FAIR AND SQUARE IN A GAME OF BID WHIST 'GAINST THE HOOD.

KEEP IT RIGHT HERE, WITH MY MOST PRIZED \$%#@&.



UM...

OKAY...

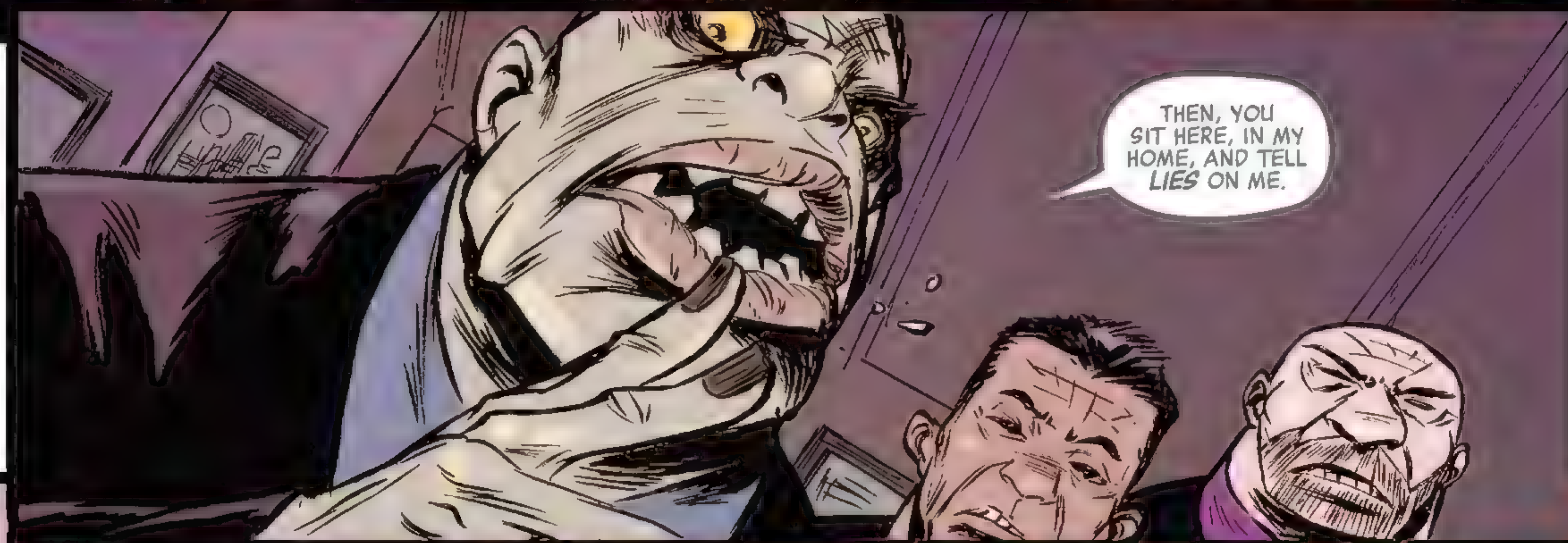
LET'S NOT GET UPSET, LONNIE.

SEEMS TO BE A MISUNDERSTANDING.



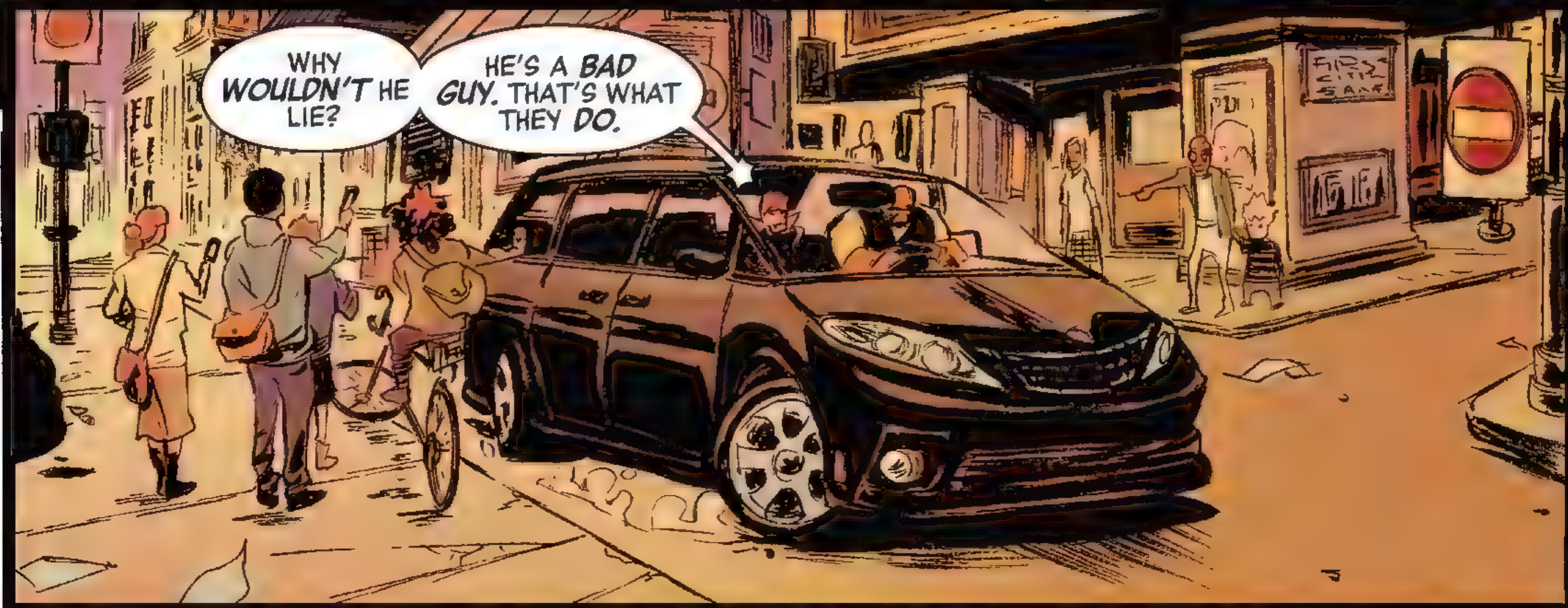
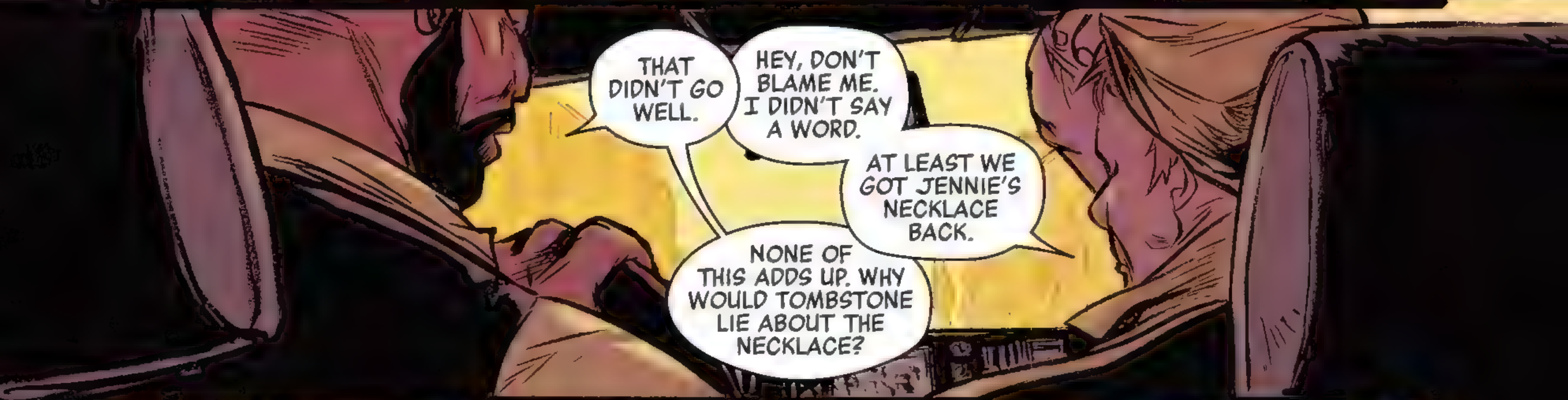
AIN'T NO MISUNDERSTANDING.

IT'S REAL CLEAR WHAT'S HAPPENIN'...











**SISTERS OF MERCY
HOUSE, SOUTH BRONX.**
A HOME FOR FEMALE PAROLEES.

YOU DID IT!

YOU GOT MY GRANDMOTHER'S NECKLACE BACK!

WE SAID WE'D DO IT, AND WE DID.

AND IT WASN'T EASY.



TOMBSTONE SAID THE NECKLACE WAS HIS. SAID HE WON IT IN A CARD GAME.



YOU DON'T THINK I'M...

I JUST WANTED MY GRANDMOTHER'S NECKLACE. THAT'S ALL. I DON'T KNOW WHY TOMBSTONE SAID WHAT HE SAID.

I MEAN, WE'RE FAMILY. WHY WOULD I LIE TO YOU?

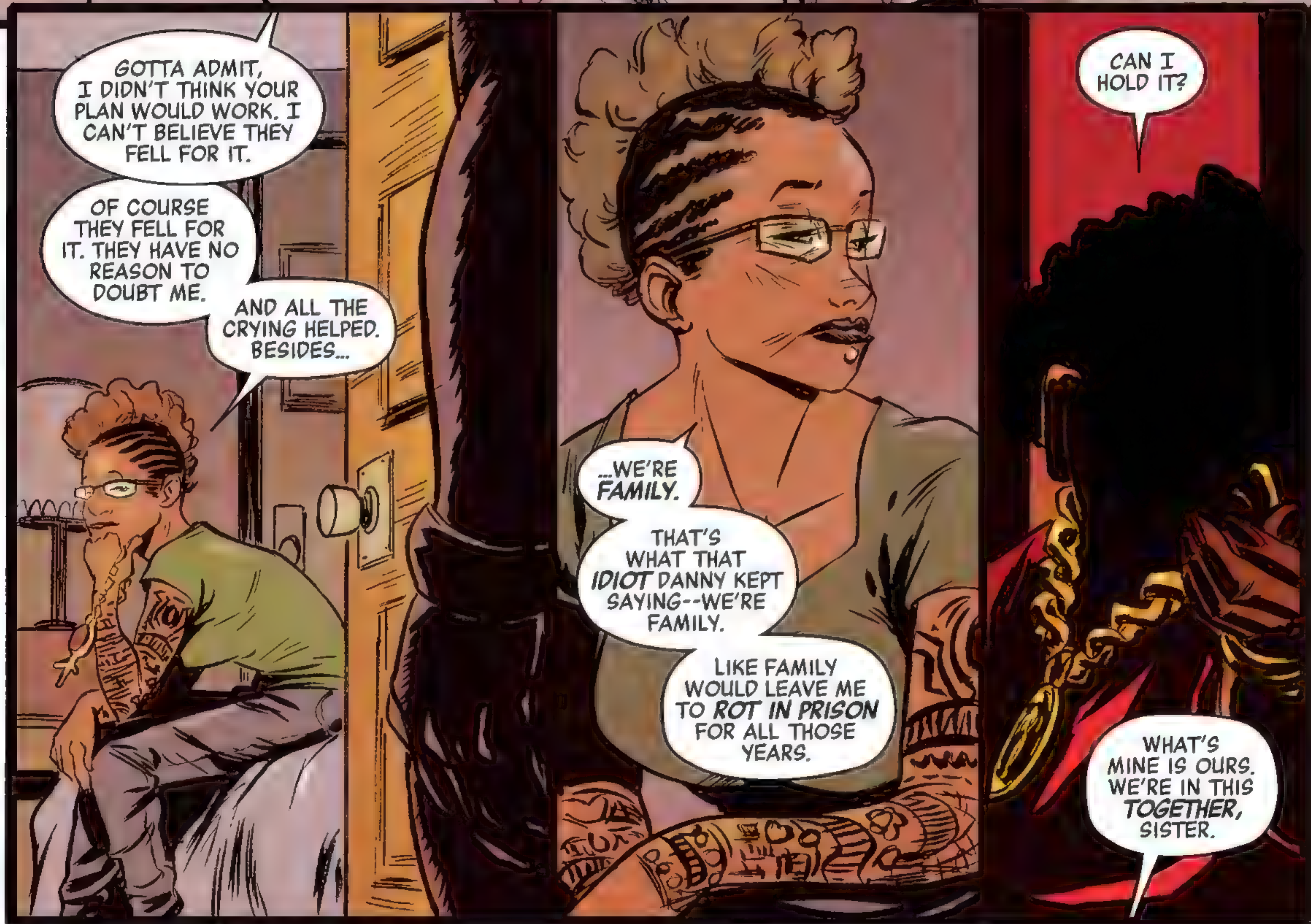


YEAH, MAN.

WHO ARE WE GONNA BELIEVE-- FAMILY, OR AN EX-CON LIKE TOMBSTONE?









...AND ONCE
WORD GETS OUT THAT
LONNIE LINCOLN LET THIS
KIND OF POWER SLIP THROUGH
HIS FINGERS, HE'S GONNA
FIND HIS EMPIRE
CRUMBLING.

IT'S OVER
FOR TOMBSTONE.
BLACK MARIAH IS
ABOUT TO TAKE
OVER.

MARIAH DILLARD
(A.K.A. **BLACK MARIAH.**)

BLACK
MARIAH AND WHITE
JENNIE ARE ABOUT
TO TAKE OVER.

SURE.
SISTERS
GOTTA STICK
TOGETHER.





SKOTTIE YOUNG
1 VARIANT





**LONNIE
"TOMBSTONE"
LINCOLN**
(CRIME BOSS.)

...DON'T MAKE
ME REPEAT MYSELF.
I WANT THE SUPERSOUL
STONE BACK, I WANT
POWER MAN AND
IRON FIST...

AND I WANT
WHOEVER HIRED
THEM TO STEAL
IT FROM ME.

SPREAD
THE WORD...



**HENRY "REAPER"
MANIGO**
(HENCHMAN.)

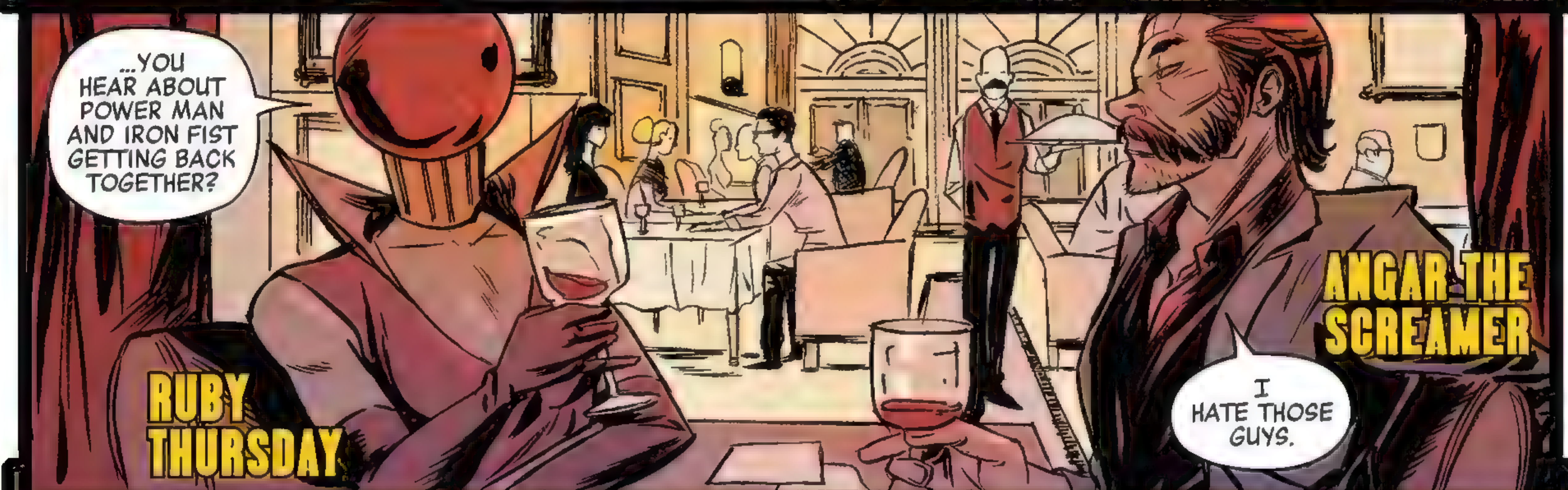
...I'M
OFFERIN'
A REWARD
TO WHOEVER
DELIVERS THE
GOODS.

SURE THING,
BOSS. WHATEVER
YOU SAY.

WHAT'D
HE SAY?

WAS HE DOIN'
THAT MAD WHISPER
THING? THAT FREAKS ME OUT.

**GILBERT "GRIM"
MANIGO**
(HENCHMAN.)



...YOU
HEAR ABOUT
POWER MAN
AND IRON FIST
GETTING BACK
TOGETHER?

**RUBY
THURSDAY**

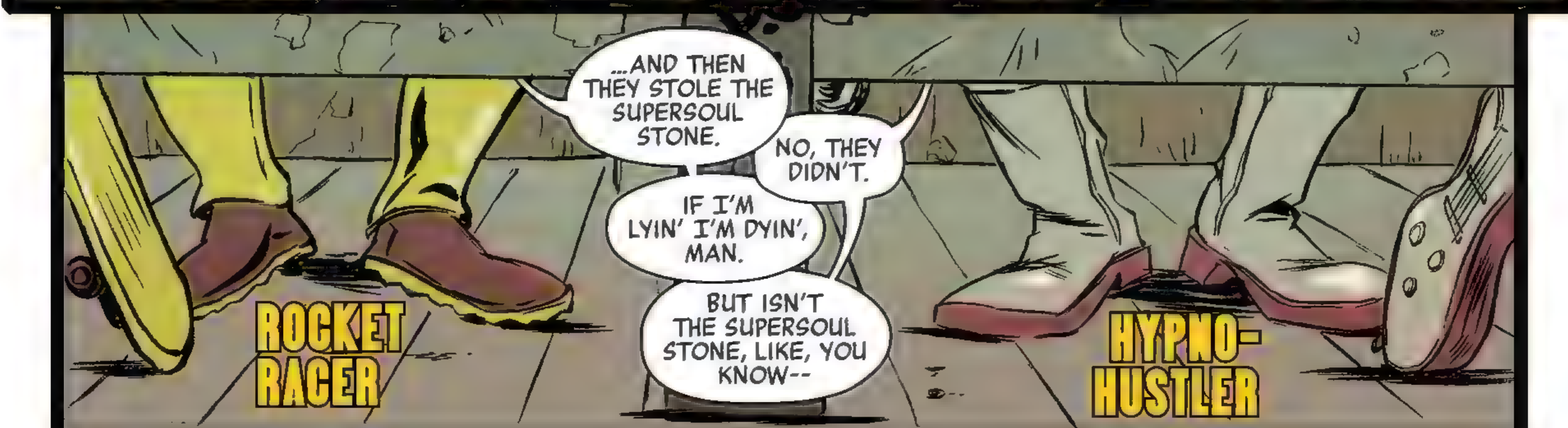
**ANGAR THE
SCREAMER**

I
HATE THOSE
GUYS.



**COCKROACH
HAMILTON**

...WAY I
HEARD IT, THE
TWO O' THEM ROLLED
UP ON OLD LONNIE,
AND BOOM! STRAIGHT
JACKED THAT ALBINO
SUCKER.



**ROCKET
RACER**

**HYPNO-
HUSTLER**

...AND THEN
THEY STOLE THE
SUPERSOUL
STONE.

NO, THEY
DIDN'T.

IF I'M
LYIN' I'M DYIN',
MAN.

BUT ISN'T
THE SUPERSOUL
STONE, LIKE, YOU
KNOW--



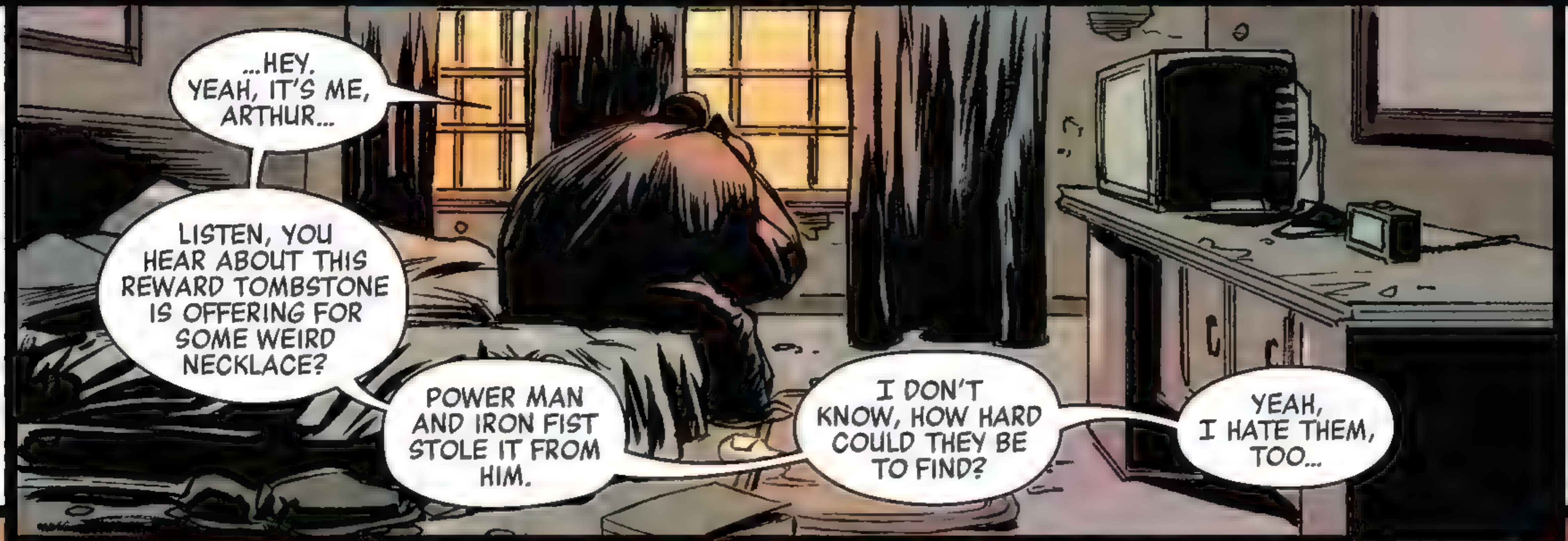
--IT'S WORTHLESS.

THAT AIN'T WHAT I HEARD. ENCHANTRESS TOLD ME--

IF THAT THING HAD ANY **REAL** VALUE, DO YOU THINK I'D'VE LET TOMBSTONE WIN IT IN A **CARD GAME**?

THE HOOD

THUNDERBALL



...HEY. YEAH, IT'S ME, ARTHUR...

LISTEN, YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS REWARD TOMBSTONE IS OFFERING FOR SOME WEIRD NECKLACE?

POWER MAN AND IRON FIST STOLE IT FROM HIM.

I DON'T KNOW, HOW HARD COULD THEY BE TO FIND?

YEAH, I HATE THEM, TOO...



MMM-HMM...I HEARD ALL ABOUT IT. SOMEONE JACKED THAT FOOL LONNIE LINCOLN-- YOU **KNOW** HE AIN'T ALL THAT...

OH, FOR REAL...HE'S OFFERIN' A REWARD FOR WHOEVER DID IT?

I'LL KEEP ME EAR TO THE GROUND...HOLLA ATCHU LATER.



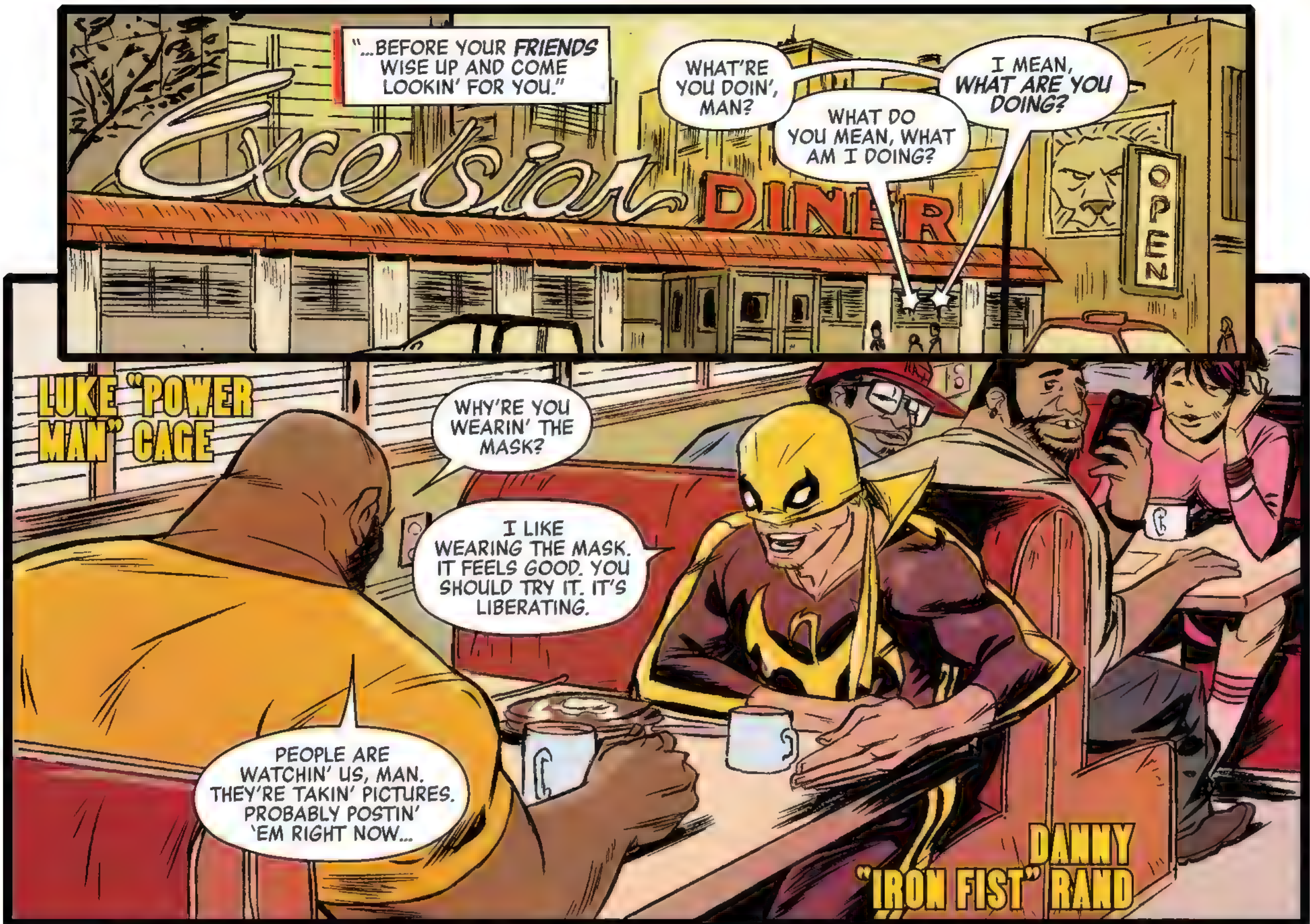
PEOPLE ALREADY KNOW WHAT HAPPENED?



EVERYONE KNOWS SOMEONE GOT POWER MAN AND IRON FIST TO RIP OFF TOMBSTONE...

...AND THAT UGLY ALBINO IS OFFERIN' A REWARD FOR BOTH THE SUPERSOUL STONE **AND** WHOEVER PLANNED THE CAPER.

WE NEED TO GET OUTTA HERE...



"...THINK ABOUT ALL THE GREAT TIMES WE HAD."

"GREAT TIMES? WHA'CHU TALKIN' 'BOUT, DANNY?"

"AND WE'D TEAM UP WITH MISTY AND COLLEEN. MAN, I MISS MISTY."

"YOU EVER HEAR OF A THING CALLED A *PHONE*? THAT'S THE CURE FOR MISSING PEOPLE--NOT STARTING A SUPER HERO TEAM."

"THINGS WERE SO MUCH MORE FUN BACK THEN. IT WAS LIKE WE DIDN'T HAVE A CARE IN THE WORLD."

"OKAY, CLEARLY WE'RE REMEMBERING THINGS DIFFERENTLY."

WHAT ELSE HAVE YOU GOT GOING? THERE'S LIKE TWELVE AVENGERS TEAMS AND YOU'RE NOT ON ANY OF THEM, SO IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE BUSY.

THAT AIN'T GOT A THING TO DO WITH IT. BESIDES, I CAN GO BACK TO BEIN' AN AVENGER ANY TIME I WANT.

I LED THE AVENGERS.

ARE YOU EVER GOING TO GET TIRED OF BRINGING THAT UP?

"I'M GETTING TIRED OF WAITING FOR YOU TO BRING ME POWER MAN AND IRON FIST..."



...FIND THOSE TWO IDIOTS, YOU FIND WHO HAS THE **SUPERSOUL STONE**. REMEMBER, IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT GETTING IT BACK...



...IT'S ABOUT WHO GETS IT BACK.

UNDERSTOOD. AND WE WON'T LET YOU DOWN.



HOW COME YOU DIDN'T TELL HIM WE FOUND POWER MAN AND IRON FIST?

'CAUSE THEN WE'D HAVE TO GO GET 'EM.

TRUE.



"AND LAST TIME WE GOT OUR ASSES KICKED."

"TRUE."



AND IF WE GO AFTER THEM NOW, WE'LL GET OUR ASSES KICKED AGAIN.

TRUE. AND THEN THE **BOSS** WILL KICK OUR ASSES FOR GETTING OUR ASSES KICKED AGAIN.

WHICH IS WHY I DIDN'T TELL HIM WE'D FOUND 'EM.

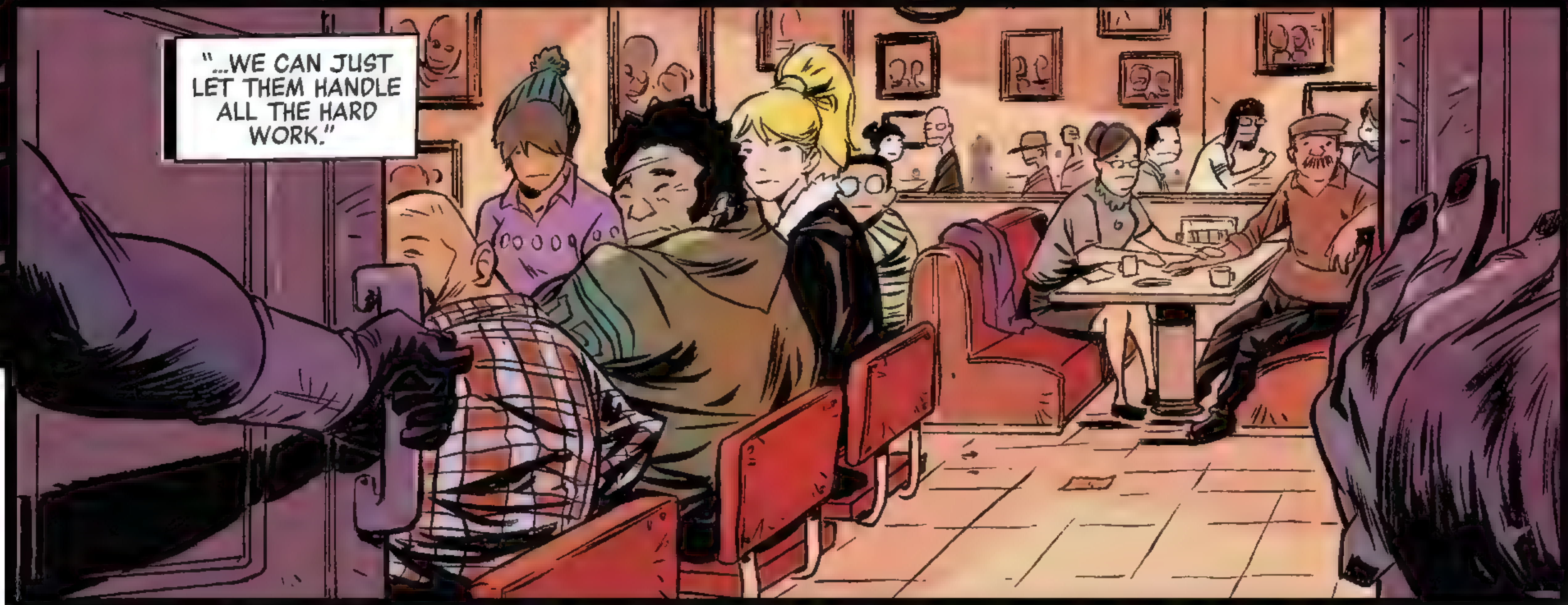


HUH.
CHECK THIS
OUT.

WHAT?

LOOKS LIKE
SOMEONE ELSE IS
LOOKIN' FOR THOSE
CHUMPS...

"...WE CAN JUST
LET THEM HANDLE
ALL THE HARD
WORK."



...IT'S BECAUSE JESSICA HATES ME,
ISN'T IT? THAT'S WHY YOU DON'T
WANT TO DO THIS.

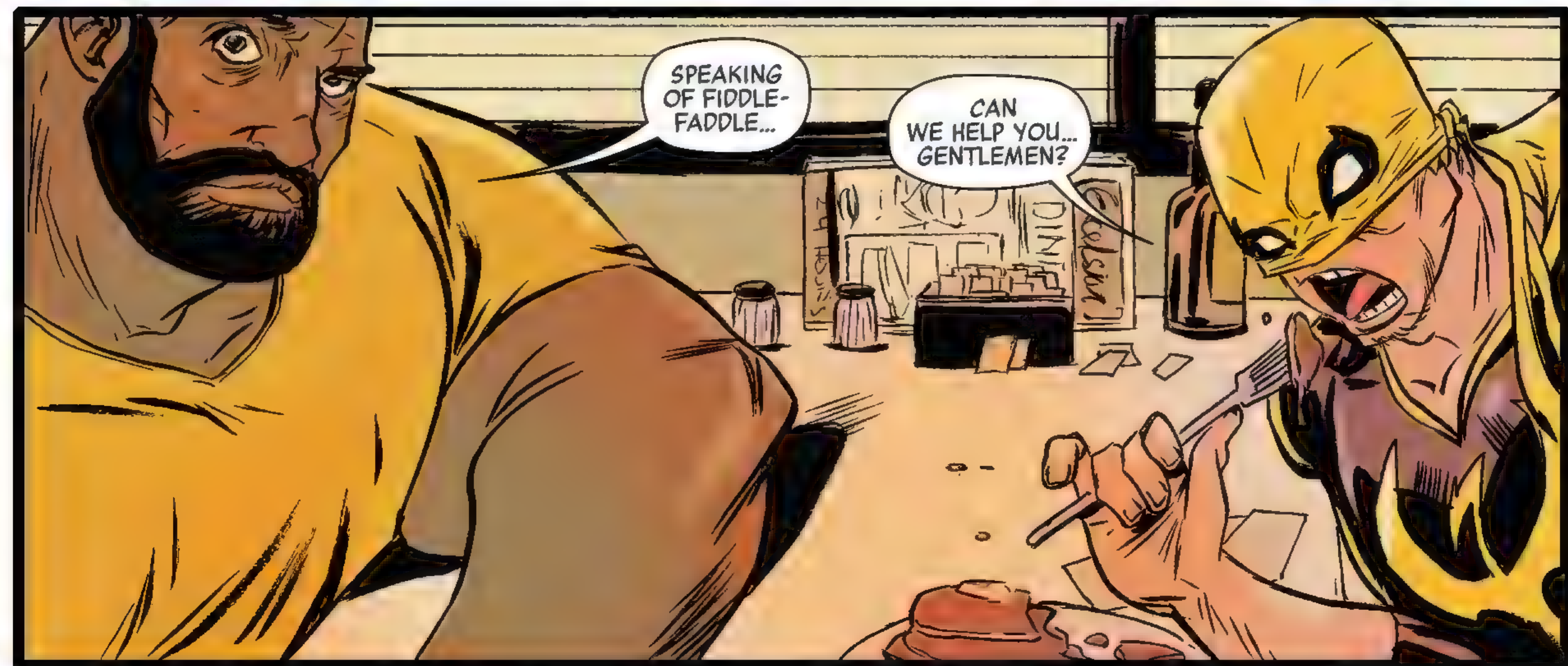
SHE DOESN'T
HATE YOU, MAN. I
MEAN, YOU ANNOY THE
FIDDLE-FADDLE OUT OF HER,
BUT YOU DO THAT WITH
EVERYONE.

WELL, WELL,
WELL--LOOKS LIKE
THE *RUMORS* ARE TRUE.
YOU TWO ARE BACK
TOGETHER.



SPEAKING
OF FIDDLE-
FADDLE...

CAN
WE HELP YOU...
GENTLEMEN?



WE'RE
HERE TO
RETRIEVE THE ITEM
YOU STOLE FROM
TOMBSTONE.

**ARTHUR
"GORILLA-MAN"
NAGAN**
(A BAD GUY.)

THAT'S RIGHT.
HAND IT OVER
PEACEFULLY, OR
THINGS WILL
GET MESSY.

**CARLOS "BLACK
TARANTULA" LaMUERTO**
(A MOSTLY BAD GUY.)

An inset comic panel showing two men sitting at a table. The man on the left is bald with a beard, wearing an orange shirt, and is gesturing with his right hand. The man on the right is wearing a yellow mask and a yellow and black striped shirt. They are in a room with a window in the background. There are some items on the table, including a white mug and some papers.

HOLD ON
A MINUTE...DID
MAGILLA GORILLA
HERE JUST CALL
US THIEVES?

THAT HE
DID. AND HIS
FRIEND, **SPIDER-
NINJA**, JUST
THREATENED
US.

WELL,
I'M SURE WE CAN
TALK THIS OUT. WHAT
DO YOU SAY,
MAGILLA?





SPIDER-WOMAN
(A.K.A. JESSICA DREW.)

WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT? IT'S TRUE. THEY'RE BACK TOGETHER.

WHO ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

IRON FIST AND POWER MAN. AT LEAST I THINK HE'S STILL GOING BY POWER MAN.

WAIT. I THOUGHT POWER MAN WAS THE ONE DATING THAT WHITE TIGER CHICK.

SPIDER-WOMAN
(A.K.A. GWEN STACY.)



"THAT'S THE OTHER POWER MAN. THERE'S MORE THAN ONE."

"CHECK IT OUT. WE MIGHT GET TO SEE SOME SKIN. I LOVE IT WHEN GUYS GET THEIR SHIRTS TORN OFF."



I AM SO POSTING THIS VIDEO ONLINE. OH, POPPA, THEY STILL HAVE THE MOVES.

MORE THAN ONE POWER MAN, HUH? THERE'S MORE THAN ONE HAWKEYE HERE, RIGHT? SO I GUESS IT MAKES SENSE.

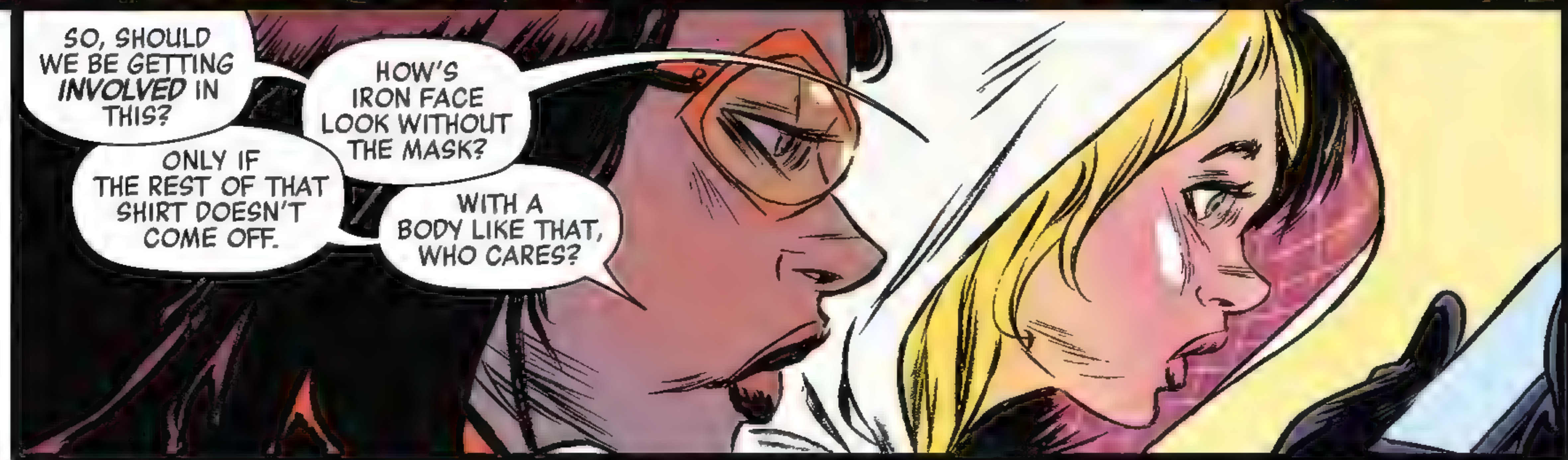
C'MON, LOSE THE REST OF THE SHIRT.

IS THERE MORE THAN ONE IRON FACE?



"IRON FIST."

"IRON FACE SOUNDS COOLER THAN IRON FIST."



SO, SHOULD WE BE GETTING INVOLVED IN THIS?

ONLY IF THE REST OF THAT SHIRT DOESN'T COME OFF.

HOW'S IRON FACE LOOK WITHOUT THE MASK?

WITH A BODY LIKE THAT, WHO CARES?



WE'RE NOT THIEVES, CURIOUS GEORGE!

SWAKT

GIVE US THE...

THWAAAP

WATHUNK



...SSSSUPERSOUL...



LOOK AT MY SHIRT! THIS WAS A FATHER'S DAY PRESENT FROM JESSICA!

THIS IS WHAT I MEANT ABOUT THE GREAT TIMES WE HAD!



SEE?! I TOLD YOU IT WAS ALL A BUNCH OF FIDDLE-FADDLE!



THESE JOKERS HEARD WE WERE BACK TOGETHER AND THEY CAME LOOKING FOR A FIGHT. YOU KNOW-- SOMETHING TO GIVE 'EM A REP.

SAME THING HAPPENS TO SHANG-CHI ALL THE TIME. ONE TIME, WE WERE HANGING OUT--



FIRST OF ALL, WE'RE **NOT** BACK TOGETHER.

SECOND OF ALL, WEREN'T YOU LISTENING TO THESE GUYS?

OF COURSE, I WAS LISTENING. YOU THINK I **DON'T** LISTEN?

THEY SAID WE STOLE SOMETHING...A FILET OF SOLE.



NOT A FILET OF SOLE! THE SUPERSOUL. AS IN THE SUPERSOUL STONE.

THEY THINK WE STOLE THE SUPERSOUL STONE!



OKAY, FOR STARTERS, I'VE NEVER EVEN HEARD OF THIS SUPERSOUL STONE... SO HOW COULD I HAVE STOLEN IT?

ALSO, I'M PRETTY SURE BLACK TARANTULA SAID HE WANTED THE FILET OF SOLE. I THINK. THAT MASK **MUFFLES** WHAT HE'S SAYING, AND SOMETIMES HIS ACCENT GETS THICK.



I...JUST...FORGET IT.

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS.



GOOD
NEWS, BOSS--WE
FOUND 'EM!



OF COURSE
YOU FOUND 'EM. SOMEONE
JUST POSTED A VIDEO OF THEM
BEATING THE HELL OUTTA
GORILLA-MAN AND BLACK
TARANTULA.

I'M
WATCHING IT
NOW.

AND I SEE
YOU GUYS JUST
SITTING THERE IN
THE CAR.



BOSS, I SWEAR, WE PULLED
UP **AFTER** THE FIGHT STARTED.
IT DIDN'T MAKE ANY SENSE
FOR US TO JUMP INTO
THE FIGHT.

TELL HIM
THAT WE COULD
SEE THEY **DIDN'T**
HAVE THE SUPERSOUL
STONE WITH
'EM.

YEAH,
WE COULD
SEE...



SHUT
UP! I HEARD
HIM!

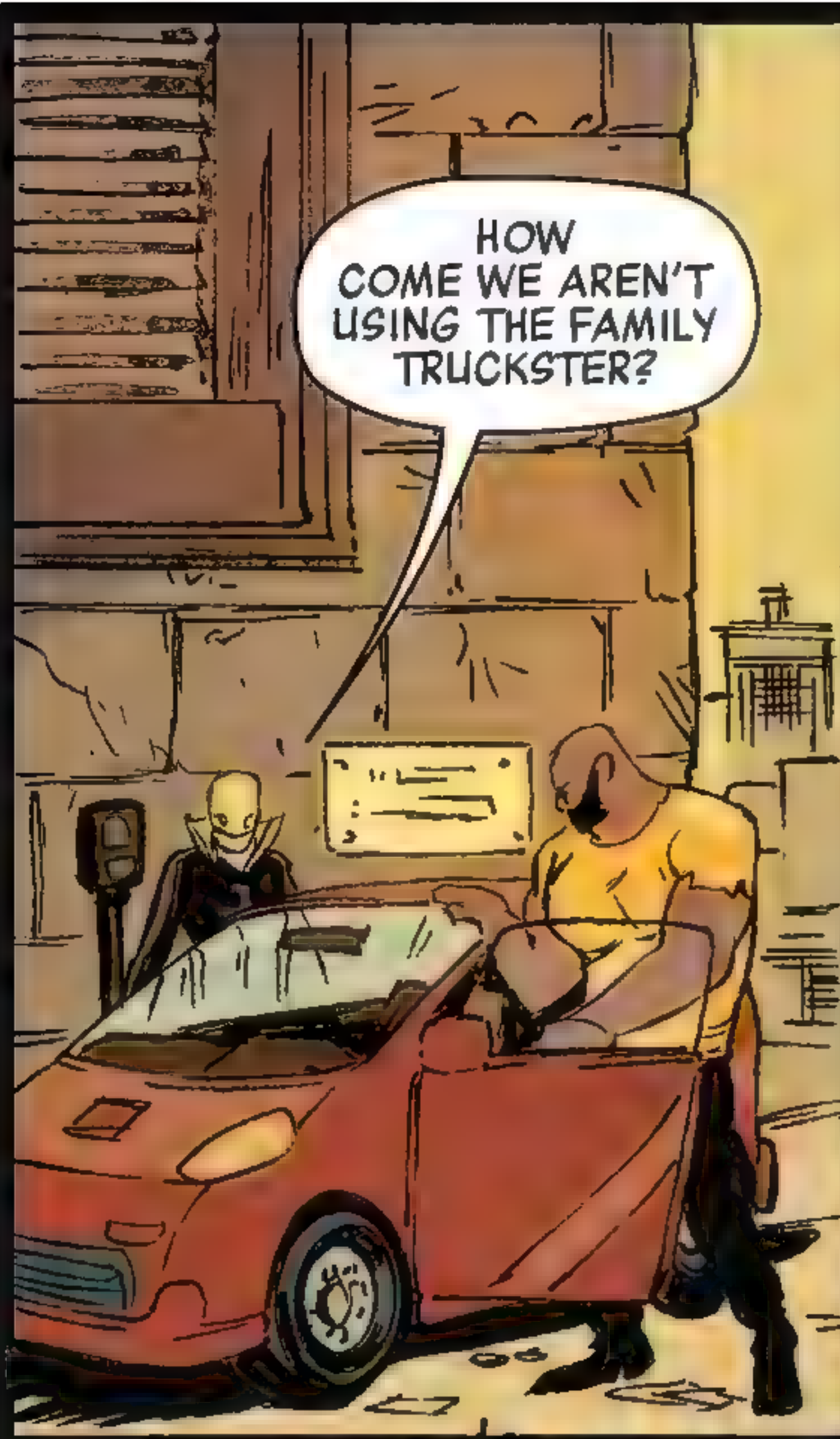
JUST GET
BACK THE DAMN
NECKLACE!



HE WAS
DOING THAT
THING WHERE HE'S
HOLDING THE PHONE
AWAY FROM HIS
MOUTH, WASN'T
HE?

I CAN
NEVER HEAR HIM
WHEN HE DOES
THAT.

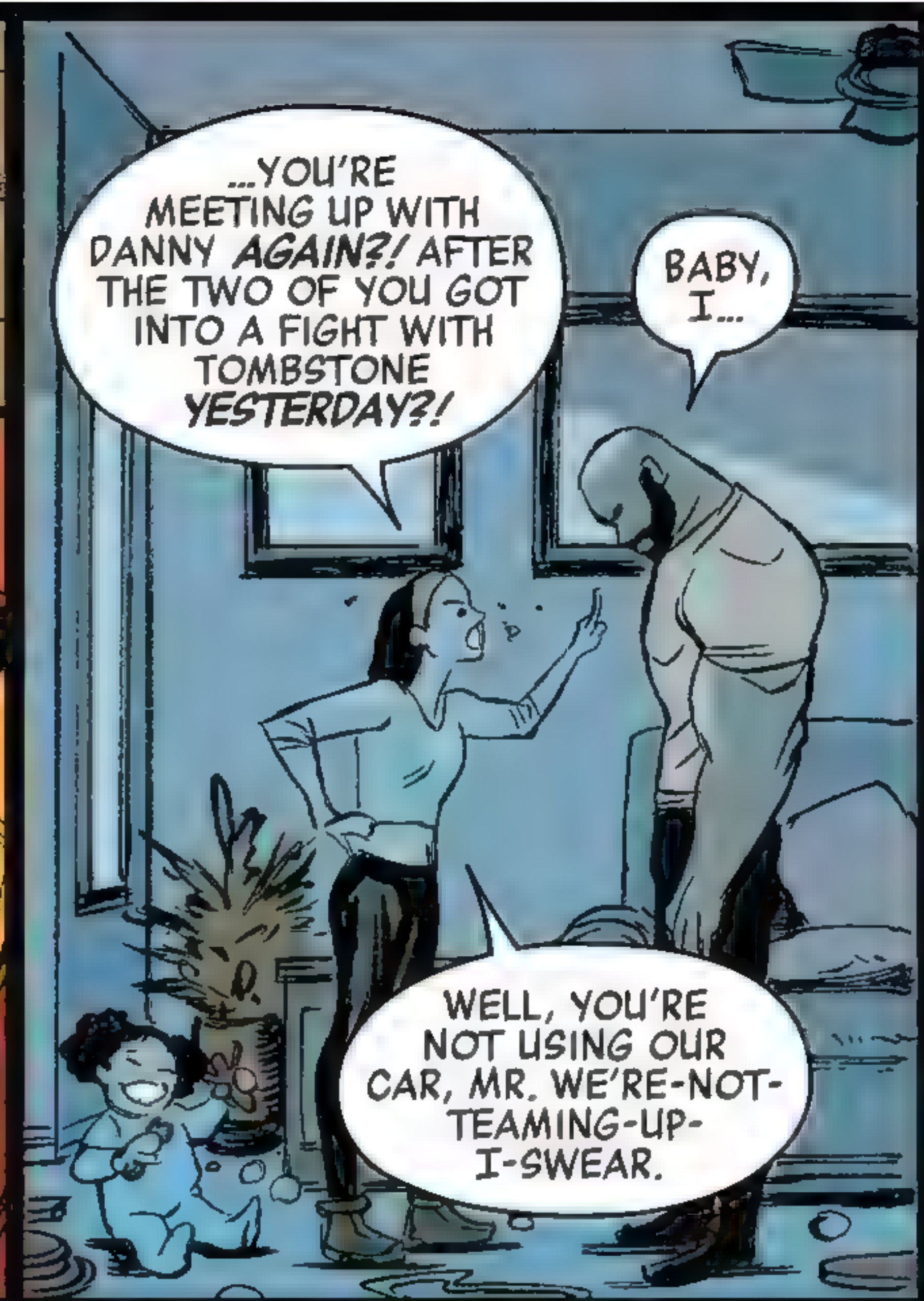
YOU'D
THINK...NEVER
MIND.



HOW
COME WE AREN'T
USING THE FAMILY
TRUCKSTER?



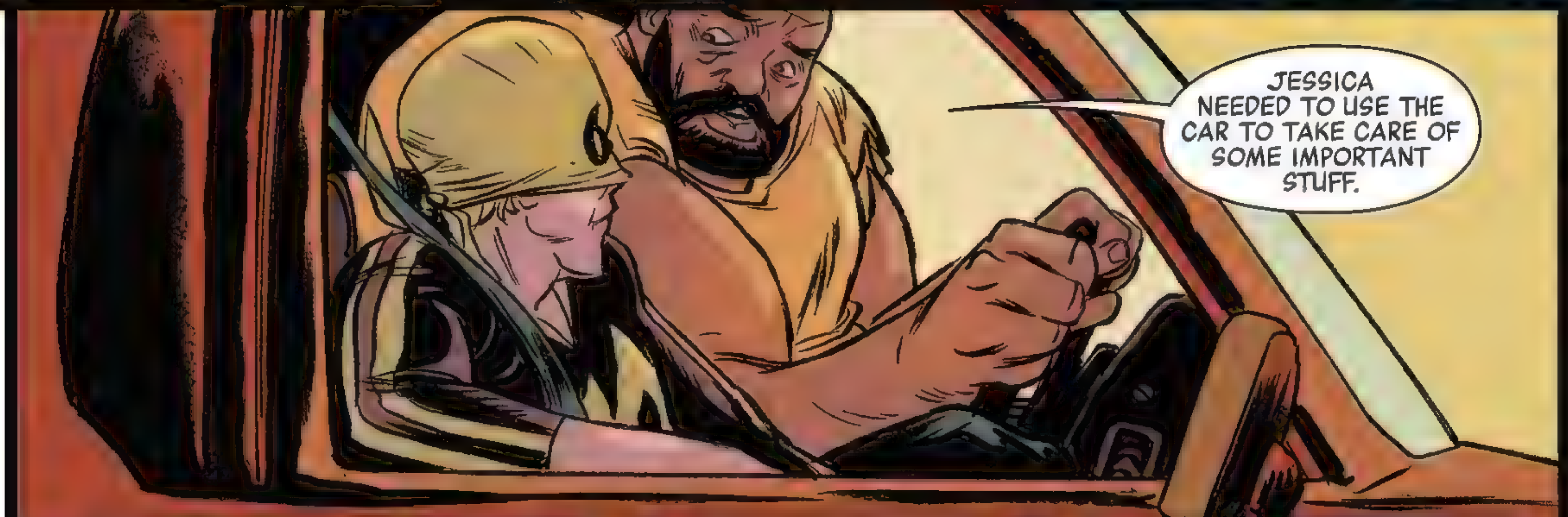
UM...
YEAH...



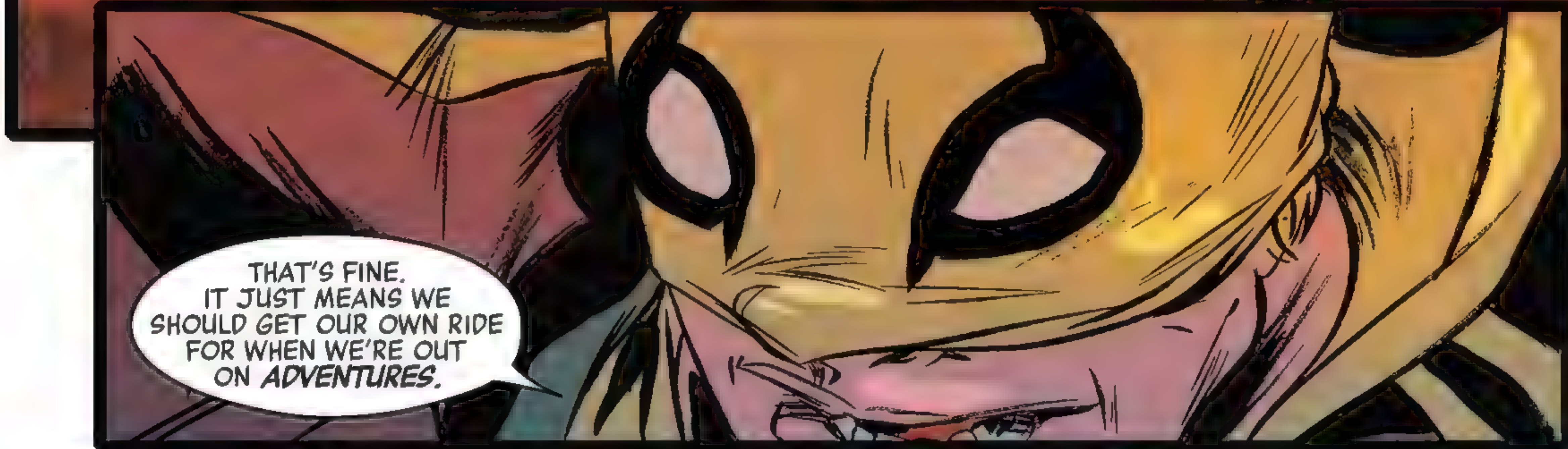
...YOU'RE
MEETING UP WITH
DANNY AGAIN?! AFTER
THE TWO OF YOU GOT
INTO A FIGHT WITH
TOMBSTONE
YESTERDAY?!

BABY,
I...

WELL, YOU'RE
NOT USING OUR
CAR, MR. WE'RE-NOT-
TEAMING-UP-
I-SWEAR.



JESSICA
NEEDED TO USE THE
CAR TO TAKE CARE OF
SOME IMPORTANT
STUFF.



THAT'S FINE.
IT JUST MEANS WE
SHOULD GET OUR OWN RIDE
FOR WHEN WE'RE OUT
ON ADVENTURES.



WE ARE *NOT* TEAMING
UP. HOW MANY TIMES
I GOTTA TELL YOU
THAT?

WHY NOT?
WE WORK GREAT
TOGETHER.



WE WORK GREAT TOGETHER? ARE YOU INSANE?

WE GOT **DUPED** BY OUR FORMER SECRETARY INTO STEALING THE **SUPERSOUL STONE** FROM **LONNIE LINCOLN**.



OKAY, JENNIE WAS OUR OFFICE ASSISTANT-- **NOT** OUR SECRETARY-- JUST TO BE CLEAR. AND SHE DIDN'T DUPE US INTO ANYTHING.

WE RETRIEVED HER **GRANDMOTHER'S NECKLACE** FROM A KNOWN SUPER CRIMINAL.



THAT WASN'T HER GRANDMOTHER'S NECKLACE! IT WAS THE **SUPERSOUL STONE**!

YOU KEEP SAYING THAT LIKE I'M **SUPPOSED** TO KNOW WHAT IT MEANS.

EVERYONE KNOWS ABOUT THE **SUPERSOUL STONE**. IT'S GOT **MYSTICAL POWERS**.



IF THIS **FILET OF SOLE** THING HAS GOT **MYSTICAL POWERS**, HOW COME I DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT?

WHY ARE WE HAVING THIS CONVERSATION?

I'M THE **POSTER CHILD OF MYSTICAL POWERS**. I FART **MYSTICAL POWERS**-- THAT'S HOW MUCH I'VE GOT **MYSTICAL POWERS** ON LOCKDOWN.



YOU **FART MYSTICAL POWERS**?

SEE, THIS IS WHY I DON'T WANT TO TEAM UP WITH YOU.

SISTERS OF REDEMPTION HALFWAY HOUSE

(A HOME FOR RECENTLY
PAROLED FEMALE CONVICTS.)

...I'M JUST
SAYING, THIS IS
JENNIE WE'RE TALKING
ABOUT. WE NEED TO
GIVE HER THE BENEFIT
OF THE DOUBT.

I'VE *BEEN*
GIVING HER THE
BENEFIT OF THE
DOUBT.

THIS--RIGHT
HERE--THIS IS LUKE
CAGE GIVING SOMEONE
THE BENEFIT OF
THE DOUBT.

BUT IF YOU
DON'T STOP YAMMERIN',
WHAT YOU'RE ABOUT TO
SEE IS LUKE CAGE LOSIN'
HIS #\$\$@%...I MEAN
FIDDLE-FADDLE.

I'M ABOUT TO
LOSE MY FIDDLE-
FADDLE.

CAN I HELP YOU
GENTLEMEN?

WE'RE
LOOKING FOR A
FRIEND. JENNIE
ROYCE.



YES, I KNOW JENNIE. I HAD SUCH **HIGH HOPES** FOR HER WHEN SHE ARRIVED.



HAD HIGH HOPES? DID SOMETHING HAPPEN TO CHANGE THAT?



WHERE TO START?

SHE HAD A VISITOR IN HER ROOM, WHICH IS A **VIOLATION** OF HOUSE RULES. THEN SHE LEFT AFTER CURFEW--**ANOTHER VIOLATION.**

THIS MORNING, SHE WAS **GONE**. I'M AFRAID THIS VIOLATES HER **PROBATION.**



THAT'S WHY YOU'RE HERE, ISN'T IT? I RECOGNIZE YOU TWO. YOU'RE **IRON MAN** AND **POWER FIST.**

IRON FIST AND **POWER MAN.** BUT I DON'T REALLY GO BY...NEVER MIND.

DID YOU HAPPEN TO SEE JENNIE'S VISITOR?



I DID. AND I RECOGNIZED HER. SHE STAYED HERE ABOUT A YEAR AGO.

SHE SEEMED SO SWEET TOO.

MARIAH WAS HER NAME. **MARIAH DILLARD.**



I'M SORRY, MAN. JENNIE WAS MY FRIEND, TOO. BUT PRISON CAN CHANGE PEOPLE.

I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE WOULD SET US UP LIKE THIS. AND SHE'S WORKING WITH **BLACK MARIAH**?

MAYBE SHE'S POSSESSED AGAIN.



POSSESSED AGAIN? REALLY?

MAN, ALL THAT MATTERS IS THAT SHE'S GOT THE SUPERSOUL STONE-- WHICH WE **STOLE** FOR HER--AND SHE'S **ROLLIN'** WITH **BLACK MARIAH**.

WE NEED TO FIND HER BEFORE ALL THIS FIDDLE-FADDLE GETS MORE OUTTA CONTROL.



HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO THAT?



THIS IS WHAT WE DO. LUKE AND DANNY, BABY.

WE'LL FIND JENNIE, AND WHATEVER IS GOING ON WITH HER...



"...WE WILL DEAL WITH IT."

HEY, GIRL, YOU OKAY?



NO, I'M NOT. I'M TOTALLY FREAKING OUT. THIS IS A BIG DEAL.

WHY YOU FREAKIN' OUT?

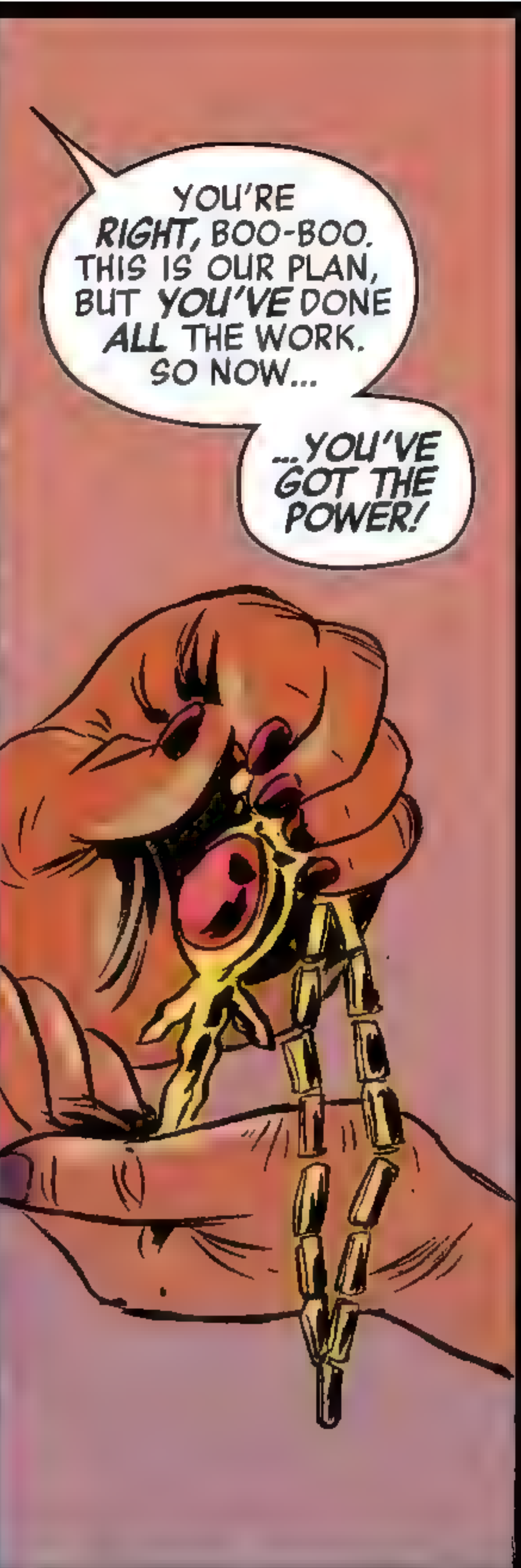
THIS IS WHAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT FOREVER-- WHAT WE PLANNED TOGETHER.

"YEAH, A PLAN WE CAME UP WITH BECAUSE I GOT STUCK WITH *NEKRA SINCLAIR* AS A CELLMATE. AND YOU KNOW SHE'S *CRAY-CRAY*.

"I HAD TO COZY UP NEXT TO HER CRAZY ASS TO LEARN IF THE SUPERSOUL STONE WAS *REAL* OR AN *URBAN MYTH*.



"I LEARNED THE INCANTATIONS FROM HER, AND I GOT THE TATTOOS WITH THE SACRED DESIGNS..."



YOU'RE *RIGHT*, BOO-BOO. THIS IS OUR PLAN, BUT *YOU'VE DONE ALL THE WORK*. SO NOW...

...*YOU'VE GOT THE POWER!*



WAKKLEK.

WAKKLEK.

WAKKLEKLEK!



I THINK IT'S WORKING!

THIS FEELS WEIRD!



WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME?!



ARGH!

JENNIE!



SO... THIS IS WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO HAVE POWER.



LUKE CAGE
(A.K.A. POWER MAN.)

...AND YOU RUINED THE SHIRT
I GOT YOU FOR FATHER'S
DAY!

WHAT THE
\$#%@ IS GOING
ON?! DO YOU THINK
I'M A FOOL, LUKE
CAGE?! IS
THAT IT?!

NO, I DON'T
THINK YOU'RE A
FOOL, BABY. YOU'RE
THE **SMARTEST** PERSON
I KNOW. AND I KNOW
REED RICHARDS.

IT
WAS JUST AN
ACCIDENT.

**JESSICA
JONES**
(LUKE'S BETTER
HALF.)

AN
ACCIDENT?!

I SAW THE
VIDEO ONLINE OF
YOU TWO FIGHTING
GORILLA-MAN
AND BLACK
TARANTULA.

I **KNOW**
YOU AND DANNY
ARE TRYING TO BRING
BACK THE WHOLE
"POWER MAN AND
IRON FIST"
THING!

LOOK, BABY,
FIRST OF ALL, I'M
NOT POWER MAN
ANYMORE.

SECOND, ME
AND DANNY, WE'RE
JUST **HELPING** A
FRIEND.

AND THIRD,
HE'S IN THE NEXT
ROOM--HE CAN
HEAR US.

DO I
LOOK LIKE
I GIVE A
%\$#@?

HEY,
DANNY,
CAN YOU **HEAR**
ME FROM
THERE?



EVERY
WORD.

AND
I WANT YOU
TO KNOW THIS IS ALL
MY FAULT. LUKE DIDN'T
WANT TO TEAM
UP AGAIN.

DANNY RAND
(A.K.A. IRON FIST.)

DANIELLE CAGE
(SUPER-POWER: ADORABLENESS.)



AND YET
HERE YOU ARE,
TEAMING UP
AGAIN.



WHAT'RE YOU
DOING?!

PUTTIN'
ON A NEW--

NOT THAT
SHIRT, YOU'RE
NOT. I GOT YOU
THAT FOR YOUR
BIRTHDAY.



I'LL
FIND A SHIRT
FOR YOU TO
WEAR.

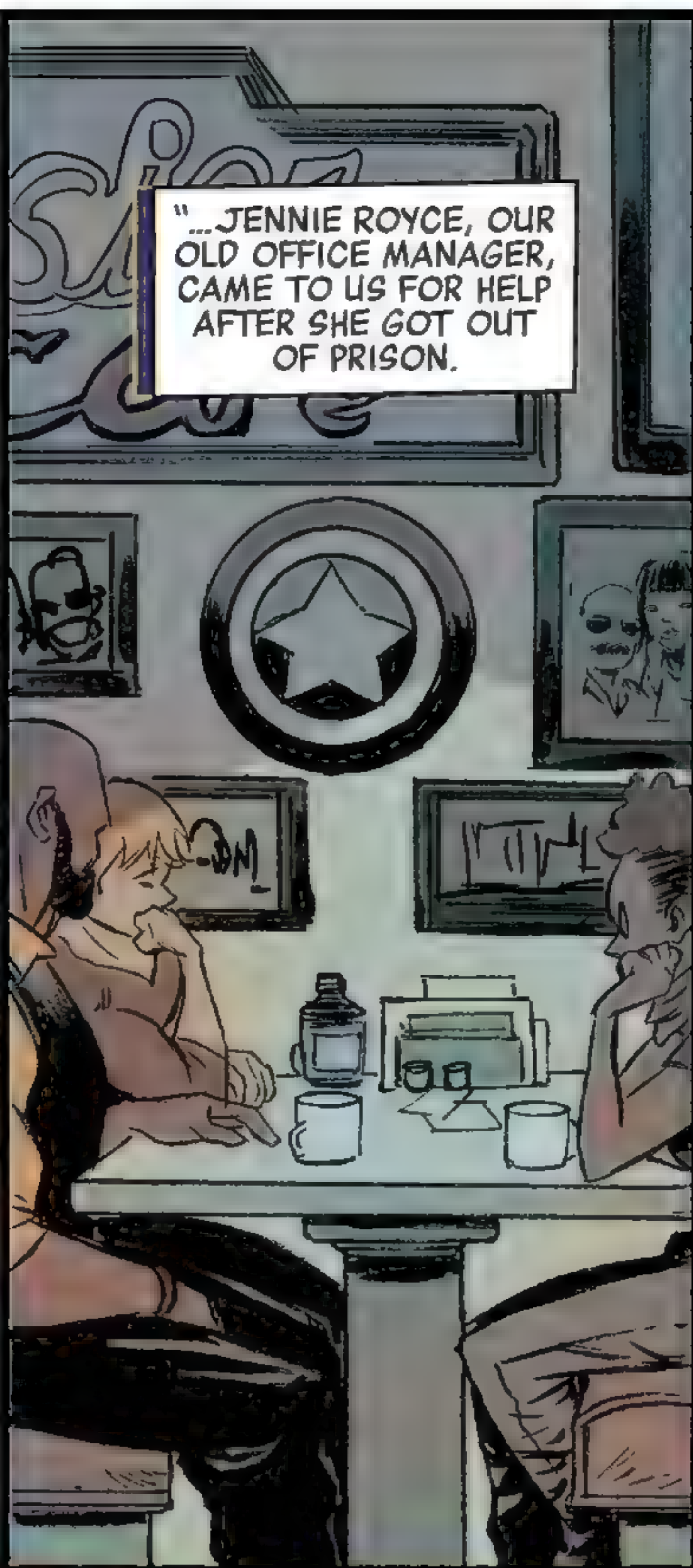
YOU REALLY
THINK I'M GOING
TO LET YOU DESTROY
ANOTHER GOOD
SHIRT?

NOW,
TELL ME WHAT'S
GOING ON.



WELL...
UM...IT'S KINDA
COMPLICATED.

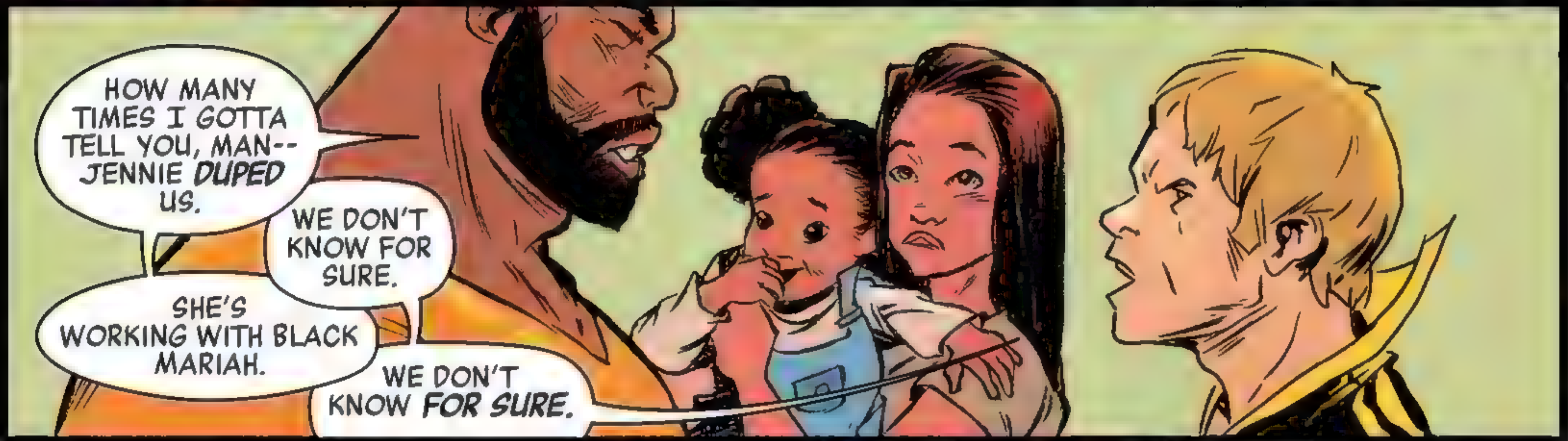
NOT *THAT*
COMPLICATED...



"...JENNIE ROYCE, OUR
OLD OFFICE MANAGER,
CAME TO US FOR HELP
AFTER SHE GOT OUT
OF PRISON.



"TOMBSTONE HAD A
NECKLACE THAT BELONGED
TO JENNIE'S GRANDMOTHER,
SO WE GOT IT BACK FOR HER."



HOW MANY
TIMES I GOTTA
TELL YOU, MAN--
JENNIE *DUPED*
US.

WE DON'T
KNOW FOR
SURE.

SHE'S
WORKING WITH BLACK
MARIAH.

WE DON'T
KNOW FOR *SURE*.

"DANNY, A NUN TOLD
US JENNIE WAS ROLLIN'
WITH BLACK MARIAH.
A *NUN*."

"*NUNS* DON'T LIE. GOD
IS THEIR BOSS. DO YOU
KNOW HOW MUCH TROUBLE
YOU GET INTO IF GOD
IS YOUR BOSS AND
YOU TELL A *LIE*?"





OKAY, SO
JENNIE MAY OR MAY
NOT HAVE *PLAYED* YOU.
SHE MAY OR MAY NOT
BE *WORKING* WITH
BLACK MARIAH.

WHAT ARE
YOU TWO GETTING
READY TO DO?

I'M GLAD
YOU ASKED,
JESSICA.



"LUKE AND I ARE GOING
TO FIND JENNIE AND
SORT ALL THIS OUT,
BECAUSE REALLY, IT'S
JUST SOME KIND OF
MISUNDERSTANDING."



"THERE'S NO WAY JENNIE
ROYCE--SWEET, *INNOCENT*
JENNIE ROYCE--IS WORKING
WITH MARIAH DILLARD.

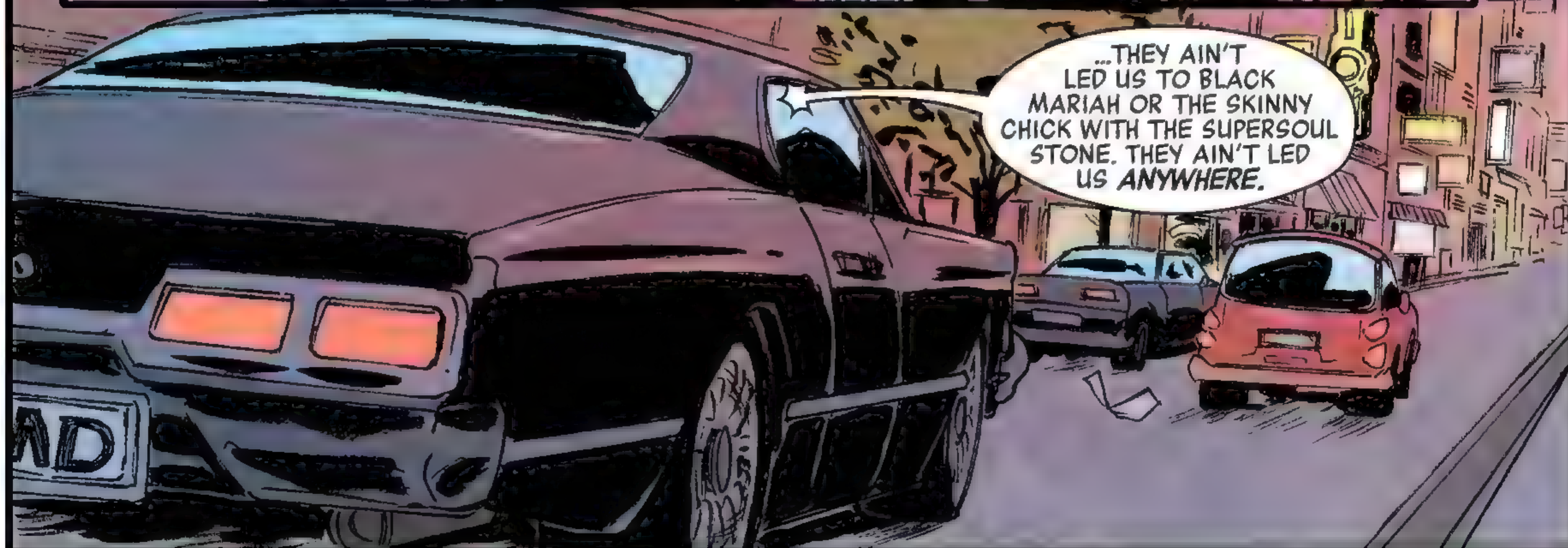
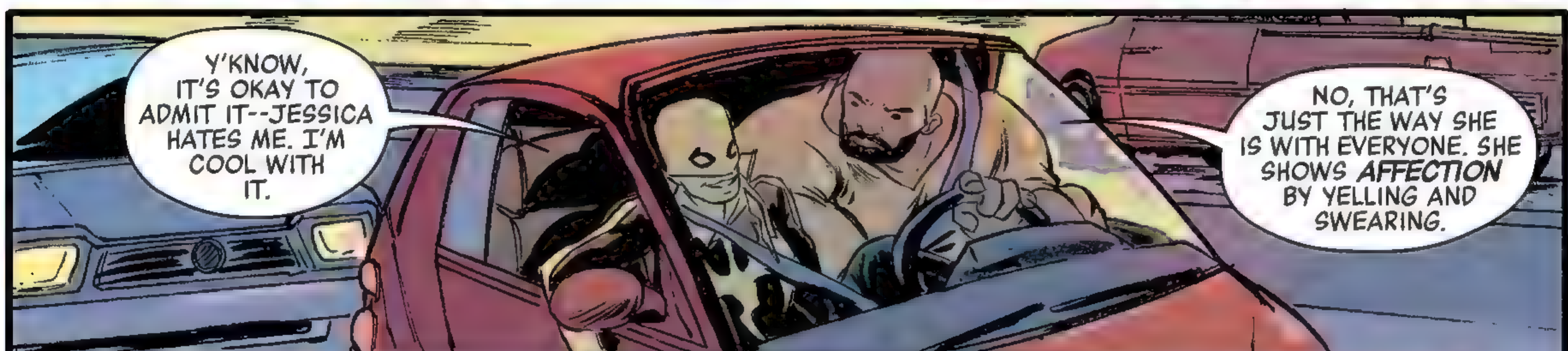
"NO WAY
AT ALL."

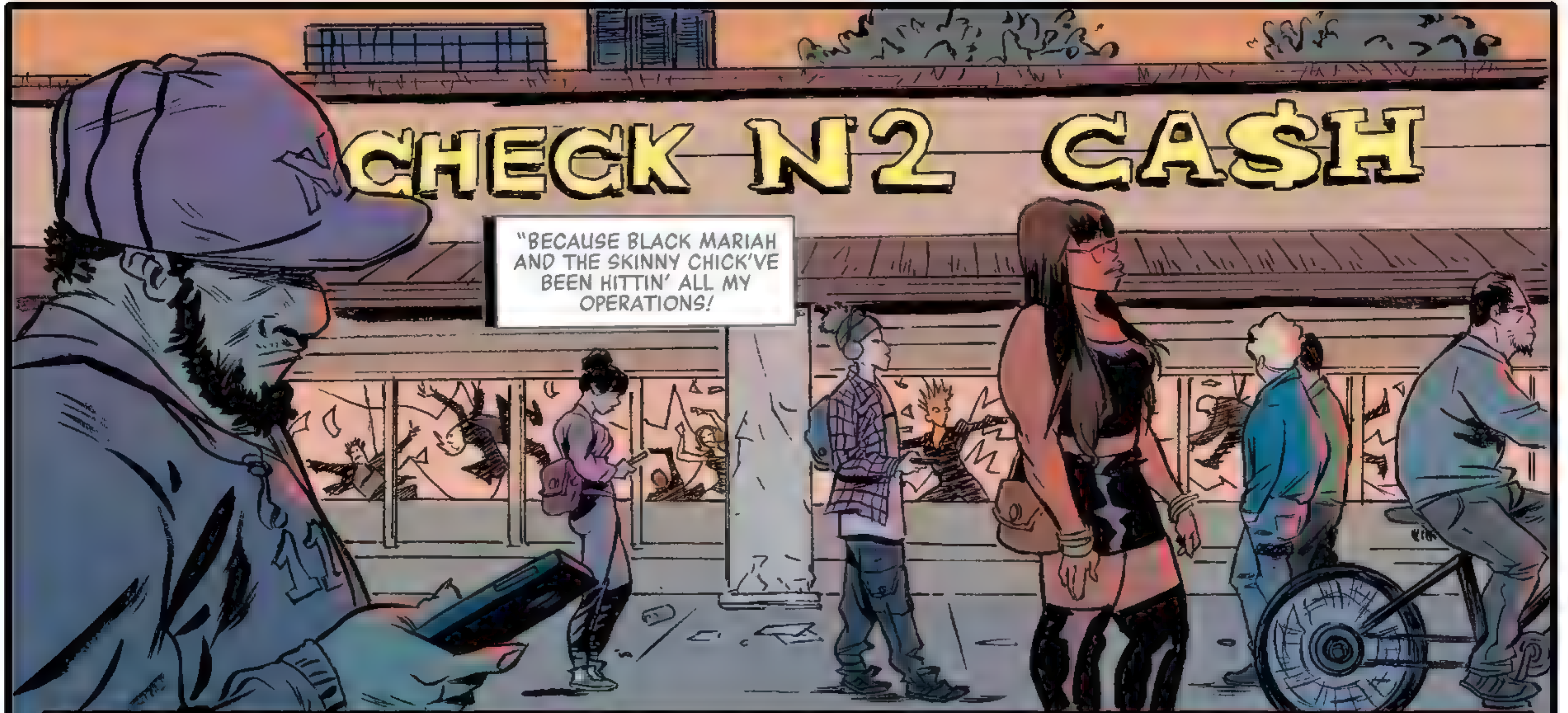


WHADDYA
SAY, BOO-BOO?
YOU *READY* TO
DO THIS?



AND THE
CROWD CHANTS,
"*GET THAT
PAPER.*"





"BECAUSE BLACK MARIAH AND THE SKINNY CHICK'VE BEEN HITIN' ALL MY OPERATIONS!"



"THESE BROADS HAVE KNOCKED OVER THREE OF MY JOINTS SO FAR!"



DON'T ASK ME HOW, BUT THEY UNLOCKED THE POWER OF THE SUPERSOUL STONE!

THEY'RE RIPPIN' ME OFF USIN' MY OWN MAGIC STONE!



AND I GOT YOU TWO IDIOTS TELLIN' ME--

DAMN!



HE CRUSHED THE PHONE AGAIN, DIDN'T HE?

THAT'S, LIKE, THE THIRD ONE THIS WEEK.

WHATTA WE DO NOW?

I DON'T KNOW...

"...KEEP FOLLOWING POWER MAN AND IRON FIST 'TIL WE HEAR BACK FROM THE BOSS, I GUESS."

WHAT'RE WE DOING HERE?

I KEEP TELLING YOU, THE **SUPERSOUL STONE** HAS SOME KIND OF MAGICAL POWERS.

WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THOSE POWERS ARE SO WE KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH 'EM WHEN WE FIND JENNIE.

THE DOCTOR WILL SEE YOU NOW.

DOCTOR STRANGE
(MASTER OF THE MYSTIC ARTS.)

LUKE, DANIEL, BY THE OMNIPOTENT OSHTUR, IT IS A PLEASURE TO SEE YOU GENTLEMEN.

PLEASE, MAKE YOURSELVES AT HOME WHILE WONG BRINGS SOME TEA.

I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT WORD OF YOUR REUNION IS TRUE.

WE'RE NOT REALLY--

COOL! YOU HAD A MYSTICAL VISION THAT WE WERE BACK TOGETHER AS A TEAM?

WONG

(SWORN TO SERVE A STALWART SORCERER.)

NO, I SAW A POST ON TWEETER, AS WELL AS THAT VIDEO OF YOU TWO FIGHTING GORILLA-MAN AND BLACK TARANTULA. QUITE IMPRESSIVE.

NOW, HOW MAY I BE OF ASSISTANCE?



LONG STORY
SHORT--WE'RE LOOKIN' FOR
THE SUPERSOUL STONE. I KNOW
IT HAS MAGICAL POWERS, BUT I DON'T
KNOW WHAT THOSE ARE OR HOW
TO DEAL WITH 'EM.



THE
SUPERSOUL
STONE, YOU
SAY?

I'M
SORRY, BUT I AM
UNWARE OF ANY
SUCH THING.



YES! I TOLD
YOU THERE WAS
NO SUCH THING AS
THE SUPERSOUL
STONE!

I KNEW
I SHOULD'VE
BET YOU
MONEY!

YOU SURE,
DOC? GROWING
UP IN HARLEM,
EVERYONE KNEW
ABOUT THIS
THING.



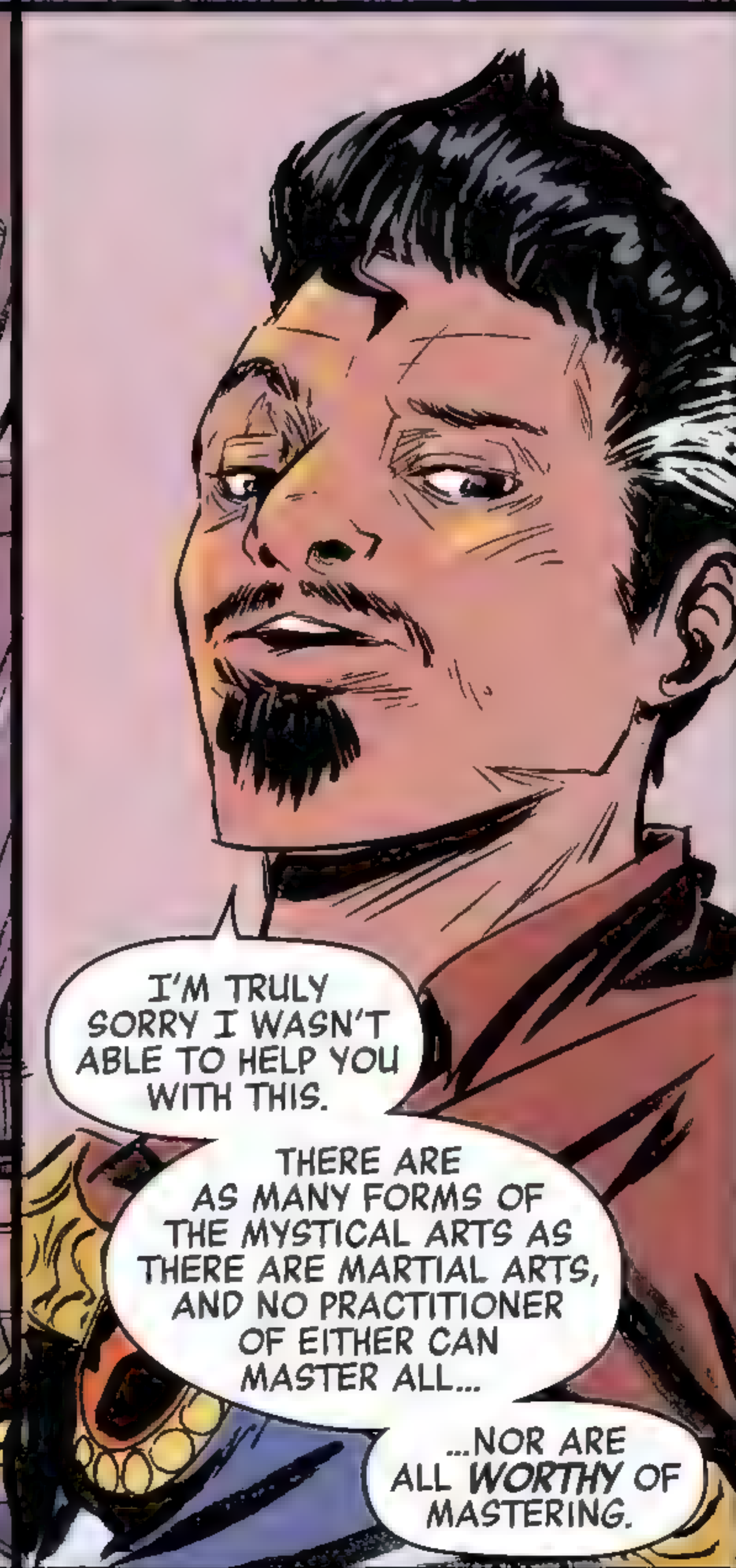
THERE ARE
FORMS OF **LESSER**
MAGIC--UNPROVEN MANNERS
OF MYSTICISM TO BEFUDDLE
THE **UNTRAINED** AND
THE **UNWARE**.

PERHAPS YOUR
SUPERSOUL STONE IS THIS
TYPE OF MAGIC--**STREET MAGIC**,
OR **OKEYDOKEY MAGIC**, OR SOME
OTHER FORM OF INFERIOR PARLOR TRICK.



SO, YOU'VE
NEVER HEARD
OF IT, WHICH MEANS
IT ISN'T WORTH
KNOWING
ABOUT.

THAT'S
NOT WHAT
HE'S SAYING...
IS IT?



I'M TRULY
SORRY I WASN'T
ABLE TO HELP YOU
WITH THIS.

THERE ARE
AS MANY FORMS OF
THE MYSTICAL ARTS AS
THERE ARE MARTIAL ARTS,
AND NO PRACTITIONER
OF EITHER CAN
MASTER ALL...

...NOR ARE
ALL **WORTHY** OF
MASTERING.



HOW LONG
THEY BEEN UP IN
THAT SPOT?

SEEMS LIKE
FOREVER.

AT LEAST
WE AIN'T GETTING
OUR ASSES KICKED...
YO, HERE THEY
COME.



MAN, WHAT A
BUNCH OF FIDDLE-FADDLE.
I THOUGHT HE'D **NEVER** SHUT
UP--EYE OF AGAMOTTO
THIS, SEVEN RINGS OF
RAGGADORR THAT.

YOU'RE JUST
MAD 'CAUSE HE
BACKED UP WHAT I'VE
BEEN SAYING ALL ALONG--
THERE'S NO SUCH THING
AS THE SUPERSOUL
STONE.



NEVER
SHOULD'VE
COME HERE IN
THE **FIRST**
PLACE!

C'MON.
LET'S GO.



WHERE?

TO
SEE SOMEONE
WHO **REALLY**
KNOWS ABOUT
MAGIC.



YOU
THINK WE SHOULD
KEEP FOLLOWIN'
'EM?

NO, I THINK
WE SHOULD LOSE
'EM, SO THE BOSS
CAN GET EVEN
MORE ANGRY.

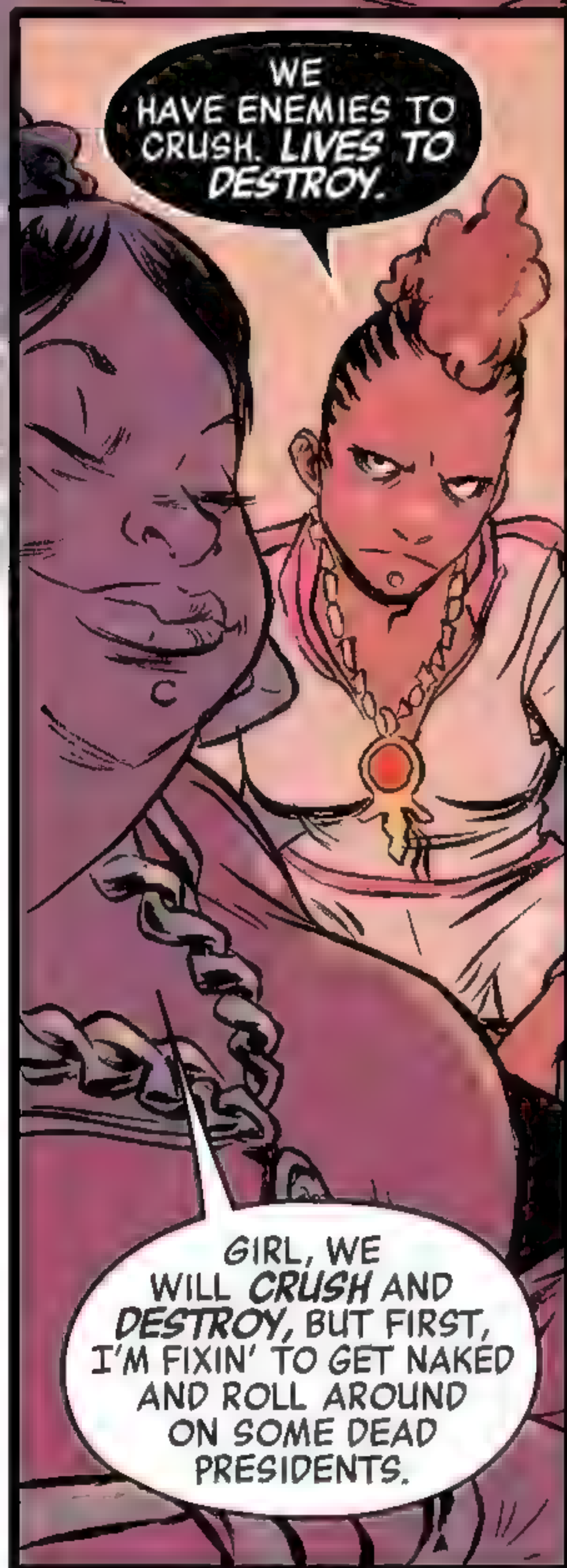
AIN'T
NO NEED FOR
SARCASM, MAN.
WHY YOU ALWAYS
GOTTA BE LIKE
THAT?

BLACK MARIAH'S APARTMENT



MONEY, MONEY,
MONEY, MONEY,
MONEEY...

THIS ISN'T
THE TIME FOR
SINGING...



WE
HAVE ENEMIES TO
CRUSH. LIVES TO
DESTROY.

GIRL, WE
WILL CRUSH AND
DESTROY, BUT FIRST,
I'M FIXIN' TO GET NAKED
AND ROLL AROUND
ON SOME DEAD
PRESIDENTS.



THIS A
JOKE TO YOU?!
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN
WHAT THEY'VE DONE
TO US?!

I'LL SING
AND DANCE WHEN
IT'S ON THEIR GRAVES!
I'LL ROLL AROUND NAKED
IN THE DUST OF MY
ENEMIES' CRUSHED BONES
AND SHOWER IN
THEIR BLOOD!



OKAY, BOO-BOO, THAT'S
NASTY--YOU CAN CATCH
DISEASES THAT
WAY.

I'M A
LITTLE WORRIED
ABOUT YOU--ALL THIS
VOODOO NASTINESS
YOU'RE TALKIN'

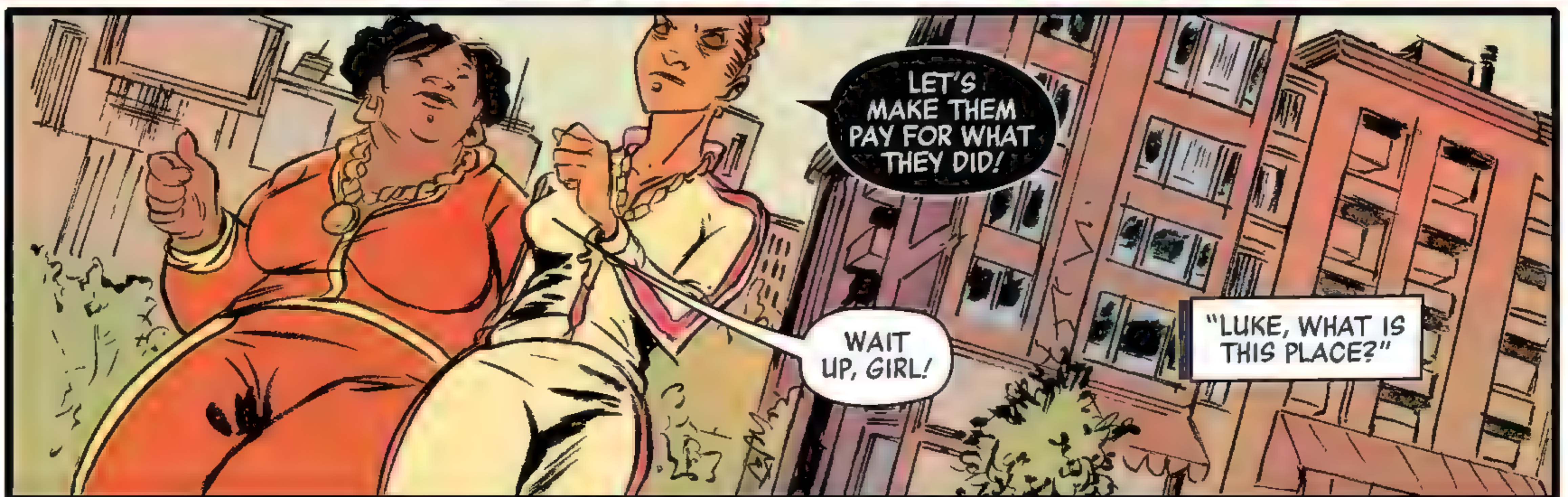
REMEMBER
WHAT NEKRA
SINCLAIR SAID
'BOUT THAT
NECKLACE?



I'M FINE!
NEVER BEEN
BETTER!

THEY THOUGHT
WE WERE WEAK!
STUPID!

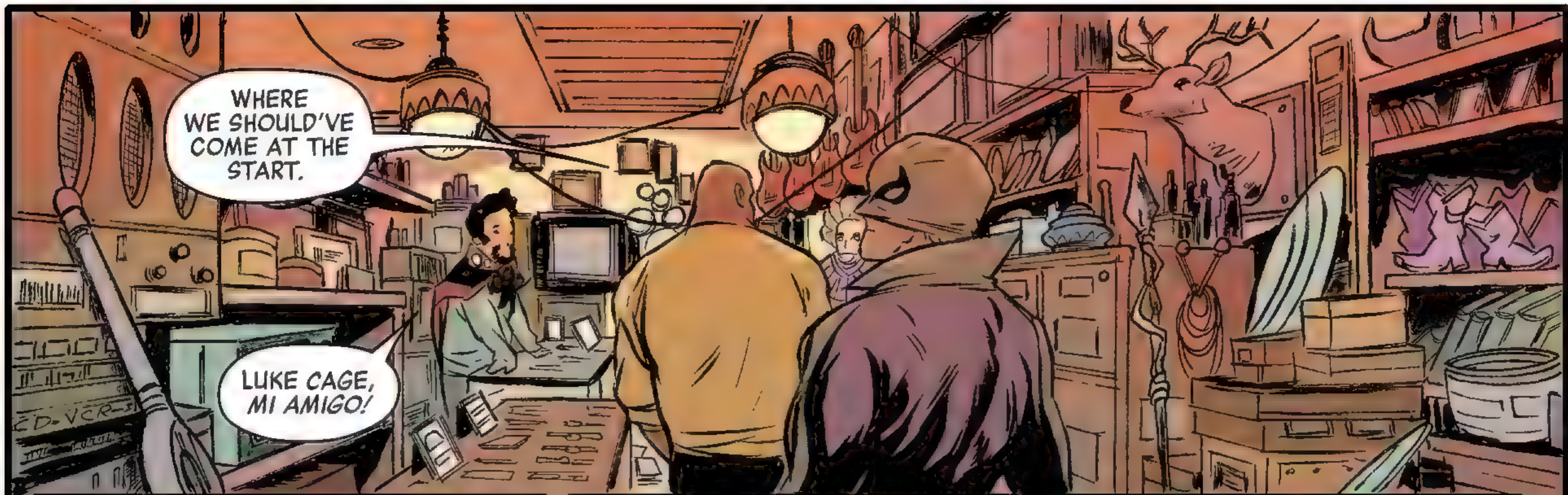
BUT NOW
IT'S OUR TURN!
IT'S TIME...



LET'S
MAKE THEM
PAY FOR WHAT
THEY DID!

WAIT
UP, GIRL!

"LUKE, WHAT IS
THIS PLACE?"

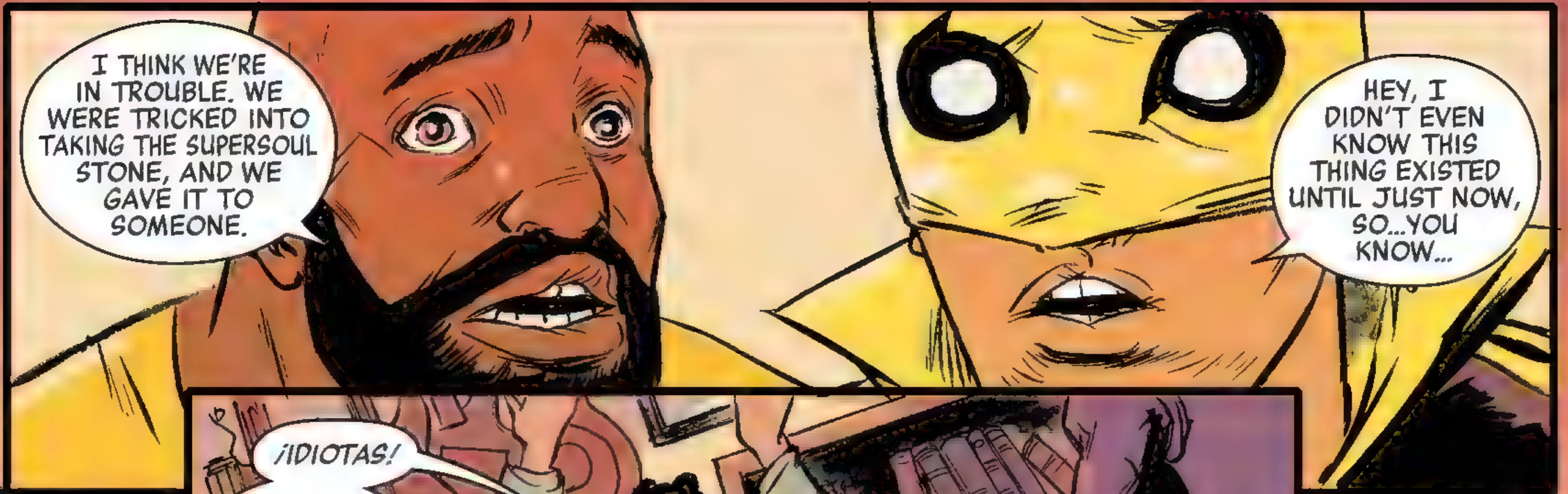


"THE SUPERSOUL STONE IS VERY DANGEROUS--IT'S A CREATION OF *STREET MAGIC*, CONJURED FROM AN OLD SPELL FROM THE *BOOK OF ANANSI*, THE YORUBA TRICKSTER.

"THE STONE PROVIDES UNTOLD POWER TO WHOEVER WEARS THE SACRED MARKINGS AND RECITES THE CONJURING SPELL, BUT HERE'S THE THING--IT CAN ONLY GIVE POWER TO SOMEONE WHO IS *WEAK*. SOMEONE WITH STRENGTH COULD NEVER ACCESS THE POWER. THIS IS THE WORK OF ANANSI THE TRICKSTER.

"BUT THE POWER CORRUPTS--IT TAKES OVER THE MIND AND BODY. AGAIN, THE WORK OF THE TRICKSTER. THIS IS WHAT MAKES THE SUPERSOUL STONE SO DANGEROUS."





I THINK WE'RE IN TROUBLE. WE WERE TRICKED INTO TAKING THE SUPERSOUL STONE, AND WE GAVE IT TO SOMEONE.

HEY, I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW THIS THING EXISTED UNTIL JUST NOW, SO...YOU KNOW...



/IDIOTAS!

DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'VE DONE?!



"THE POWER OF THE SUPERSOUL STONE KNOWS NO LIMITS--IT GROWS AND CORRUPTS THE SOUL!"



HOW DO WE STOP IT?

I CAN USE MY MYSTICAL KUNG FU, RIGHT?



ACCORDING TO THIS BOOK, THE POWER OF THE SUPERSOUL STONE CAN ONLY BE DEFEATED BY "A STRENGTH GREATER THAN THE STRENGTH IT GIVES."

AND BEFORE YOU ASK...I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THAT MEANS.

EVERYTHING WITH ANANSI IS A %\$#@ RIDDLE.



...YOU DON'T TALK TO ANYONE LIKE THAT!
ESPECIALLY NOT WOMEN! EVER! YOU
UNDERSTAND ME?!

I...I'M
SORRY!

OH, WE
KNOW YOU'RE
SORRY, COUNT
CHUMPULA. NOW,
APOLOGIZE.

I DON'T WANT TO HEAR AN APOLOGY!
THE ONLY THING I WANT TO HEAR
ARE HIS SCREAMS AS I TEAR
HIM LIMB FROM LIMB!

UM,
BOO-BOO...
WE TALKED
ABOUT
THIS.



REMEMBER
WHAT THE
COUNSELOR SAID
IN PRISON?

CONTROL
THE RAGE,
BOO-BOO.
DON'T LET IT
CONTROL
YOU.



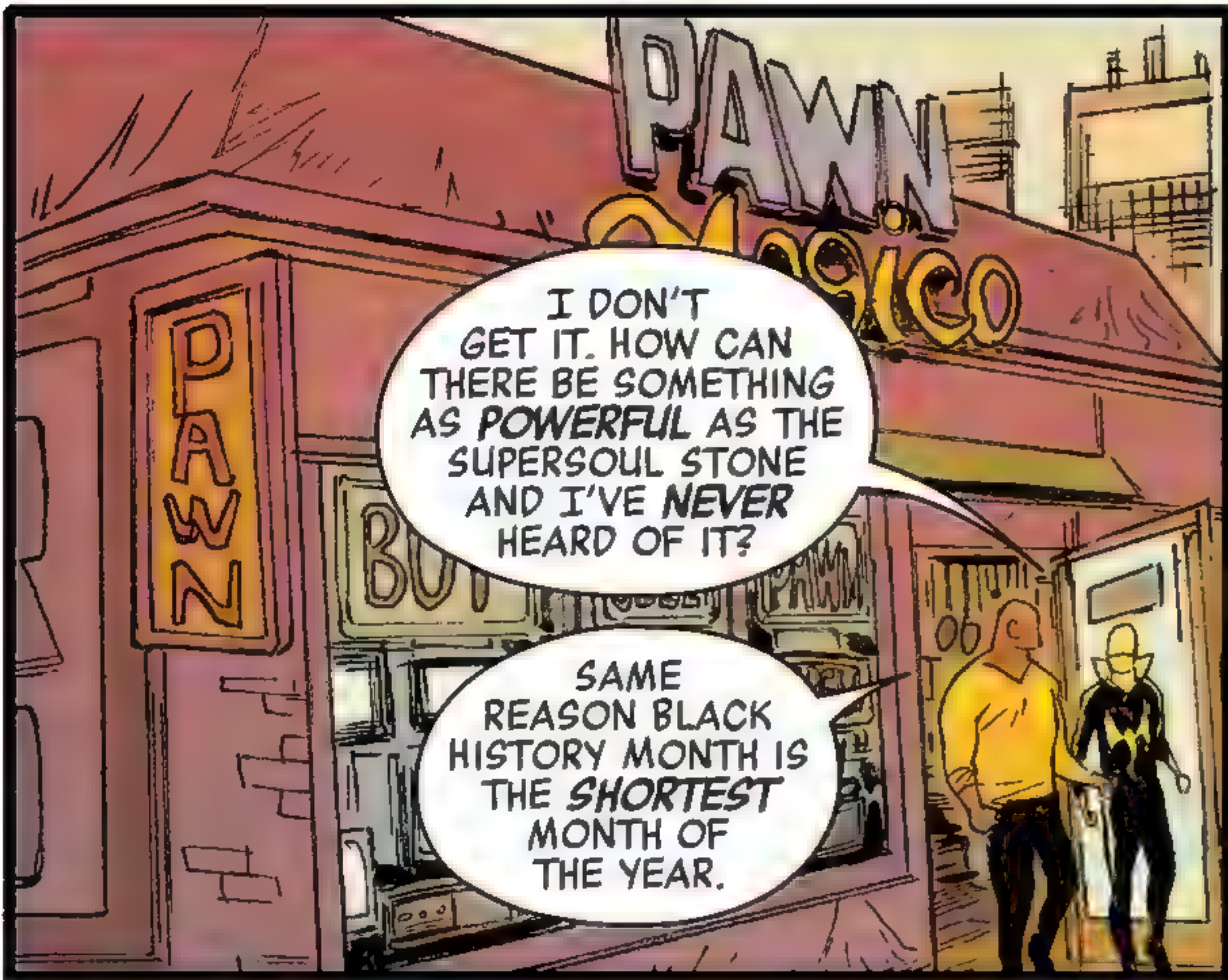
THAT
COUNSELOR WAS
AN IDIOT! WHAT DID
SHE EVER DO FOR US
OTHER THAN TALK
TALK TALK ALL THAT
FREUDIAN \$#@%?!



AFTER WE KILL
THE OTHERS, WE
NEED TO KILL
THE COUNSELOR!
LET'S GO!

WE NEED TO
TALK ABOUT ALL
THIS KILLING YOU'VE
GOT PLANNED,
GIRL.

YOU'RE
STARTIN'
TO WORRY
ME.





HEY! THESE CLOWNS WORK FOR TOMBSTONE!

WAIT! WE'RE NOT LOOKIN' FOR TROUBLE!

WELL, YOU FOUND TROUBLE!

ME AND MY PARTNER HERE ARE A **HURRICANE** OF TROUBLE ABOUT TO MAKE LANDFALL ON YOUR BUTTS!

ISN'T THAT RIGHT, POWER MAN?!

SURE, SOMETHING LIKE THAT, IRON FIST.

WE'RE NOT HERE FOR A FIGHT! WE NEED YOUR HELP! I MEAN, OUR BOSS, MR. LINCOLN, HE WANTS TO SEE YOU.

MR. LINCOLN WILL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING...

PLEASE DON'T KICK MY ASS.

"...JUST FOLLOW US BACK TO HIS PLACE!"

I'VE GOT A **BAD FEELING** ABOUT THIS. WHAT IF THIS IS SOME KIND OF TRAP?

NO WORRIES...

...YOU AND ME, WE'RE A **HURRICANE** OF TROUBLE, GETTING READY TO MAKE LANDFALL.

PLEASE DON'T **MOCK** ME. JUST BECAUSE I HAVE THE POWER OF THE **IRON FIST** DOESN'T MEAN MY FEELINGS CAN'T BE HURT...



TOMBSTONE'S HQ

OKAY, WE'RE
HERE. BUT IF THIS
IS A TRAP...

YEAH,
IF THIS IS A
TRAP...

I SWEAR,
THIS IS LEGIT.
THE BOSS
WANTS--



BOSS!

WHAT
HAPPENED?!

HELP
ME UP!

OH, FIDDLE-
FADDLE! I DIDN'T
GET INSURANCE ON
THIS THING!



YOU
OKAY?!

DO
I LOOK
OKAY?!



THIS IS ALL YOUR
FAULT! YOU AND HONG
KONG PHOOEY STARTED ALL
THIS WHEN YOU STOLE
MY PROPERTY!

THAT WAS
A MISUNDERSTANDING,
LONNIE. WE CAN MAKE
THIS RIGHT.



...I THINK
JENNIE WAS
PLAYING
US.





PROLOGUE: THE STORY OF JENNIE ROYCE.

JENNIE ROYCE MANAGED THE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS OF HEROES FOR HIRE FOR MANY YEARS.

THANK YOU FOR CALLING HEROES FOR HIRE, THIS IS JENNIE. HOW CAN I HELP YOU?

JENNIE'S EMPLOYMENT CAME TO AN END WHEN HEROES FOR HIRE WENT OUT OF BUSINESS, FORCING HER TO SEEK PROSPECTS ELSEWHERE.

SHE MET EUGENE MASON (A.K.A. CRIME-BUSTER), AND SOON BEGAN DATING HIM.

UNFORTUNATELY, IN ADDITION TO BEING A BAD CRIME-FIGHTER, EUGENE WAS PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY ABUSIVE TO JENNIE, MAKING HER LIFE A LIVING HELL.

THROUGH AN UNUSUAL SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES, JENNIE KILLED EUGENE.



DESPITE BEING POSSESSED AT THE TIME, JENNIE WAS CONVICTED FOR THE KILLING OF HER BOYFRIEND, AND SENTENCED TO PRISON.

PRISON LIFE PROVED DIFFICULT, DUE IN PART TO HER AFFILIATION WITH HEROES FOR HIRE.



JENNIE GOT A JOB WORKING IN THE PRISON LIBRARY, WHERE SHE MET FORMER GANG LEADER MARIAH DILLARD (A.K.A. BLACK MARIAH).



THE TWO FORMED AN UNLIKELY FRIENDSHIP, AS JENNIE HELPED MARIAH STUDY FOR HER G.E.D. EXAM...



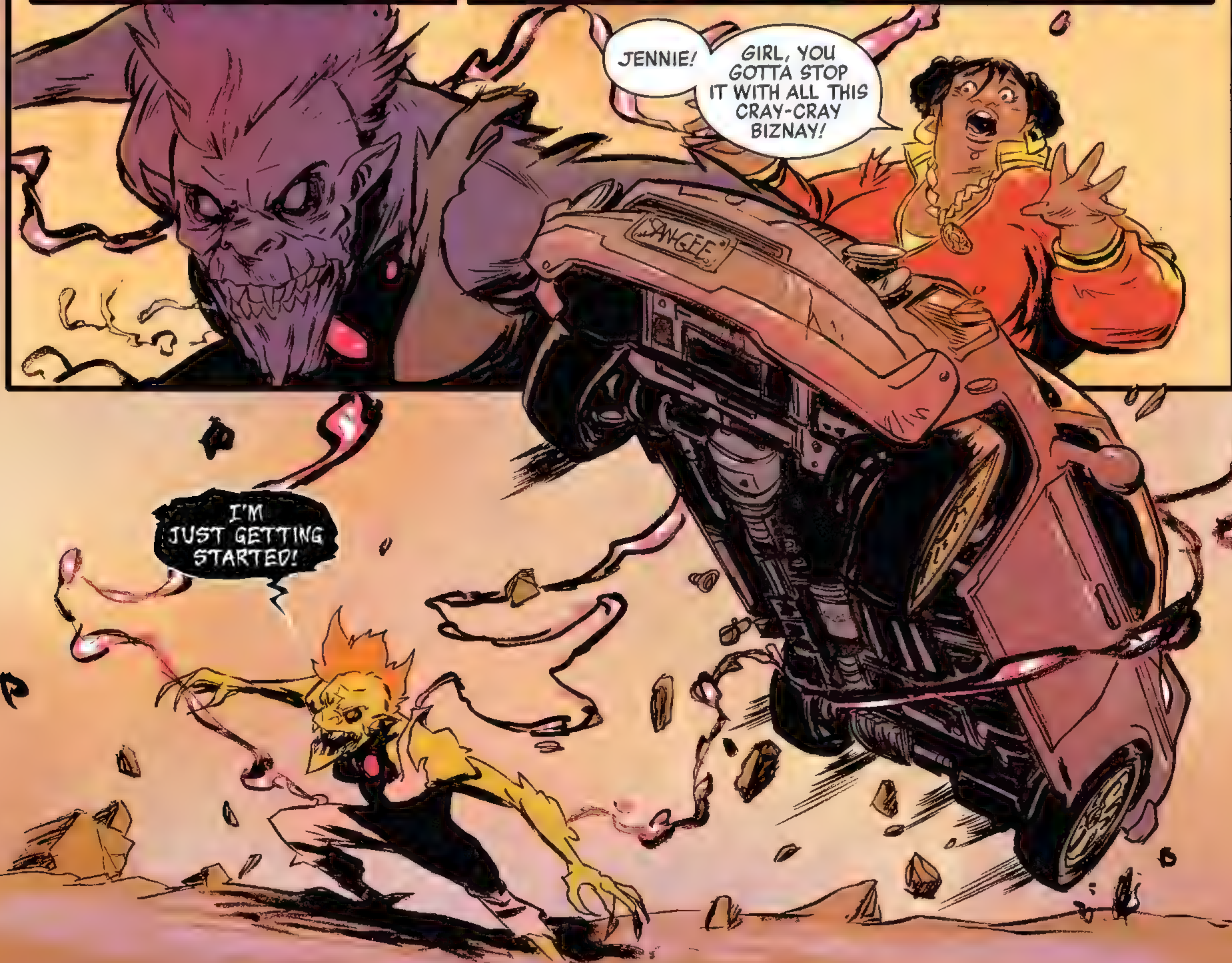
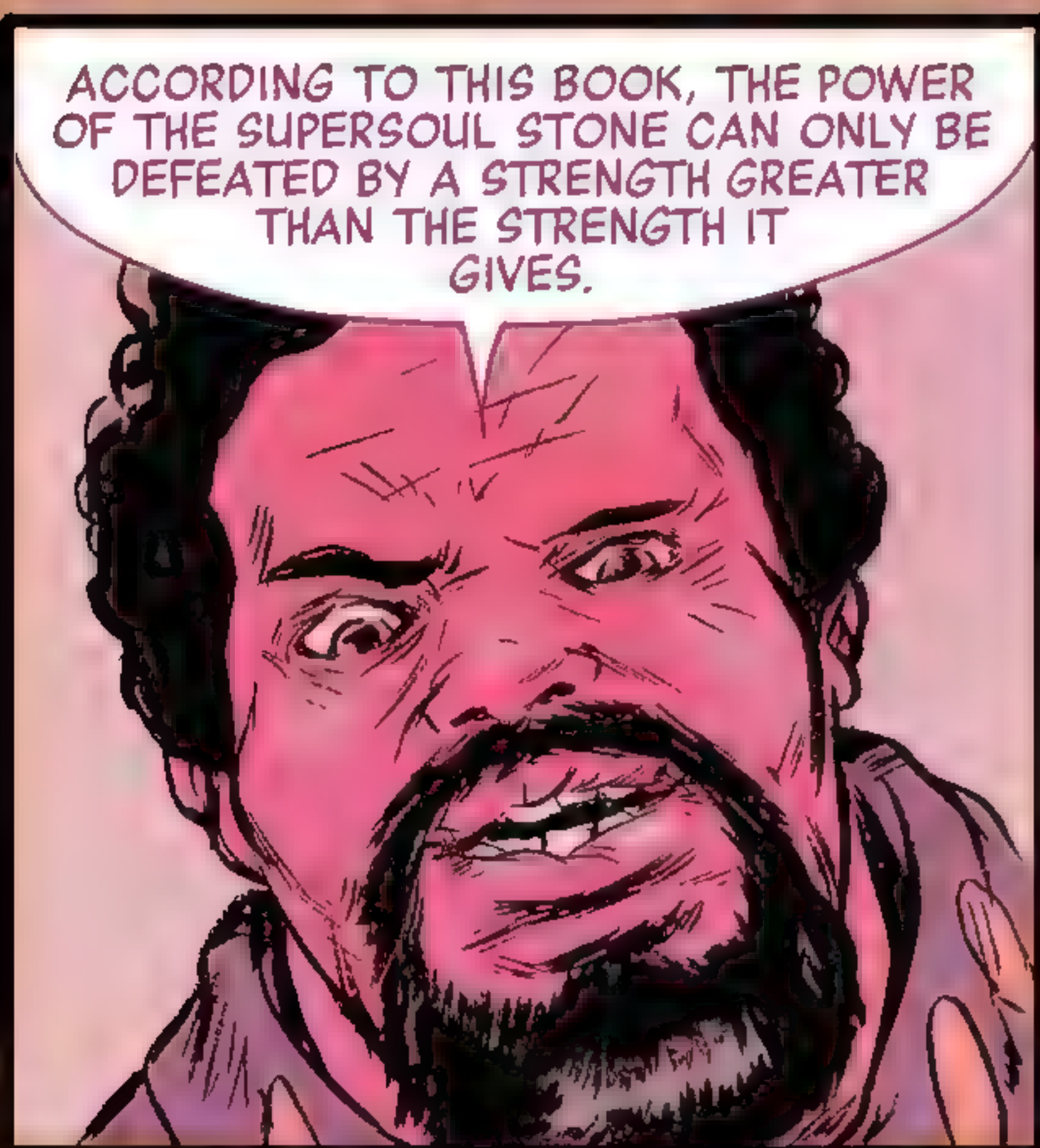
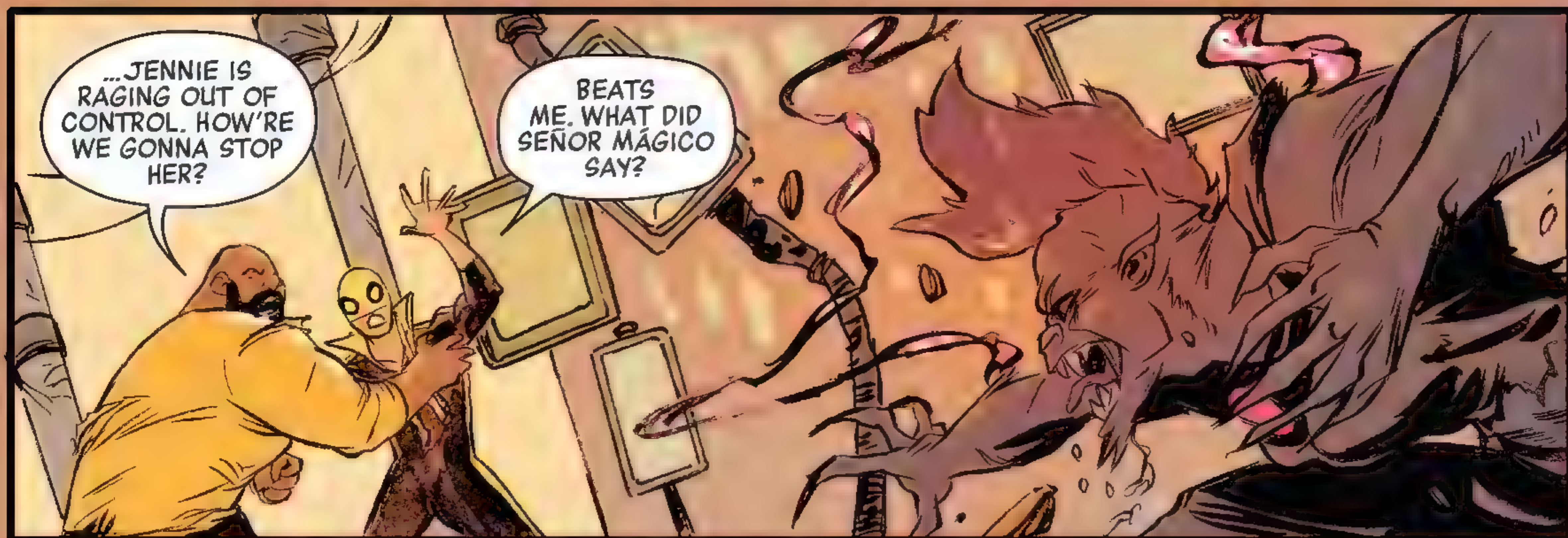
...AND MARIAH HELPED JENNIE ADJUST TO LIFE IN PRISON.



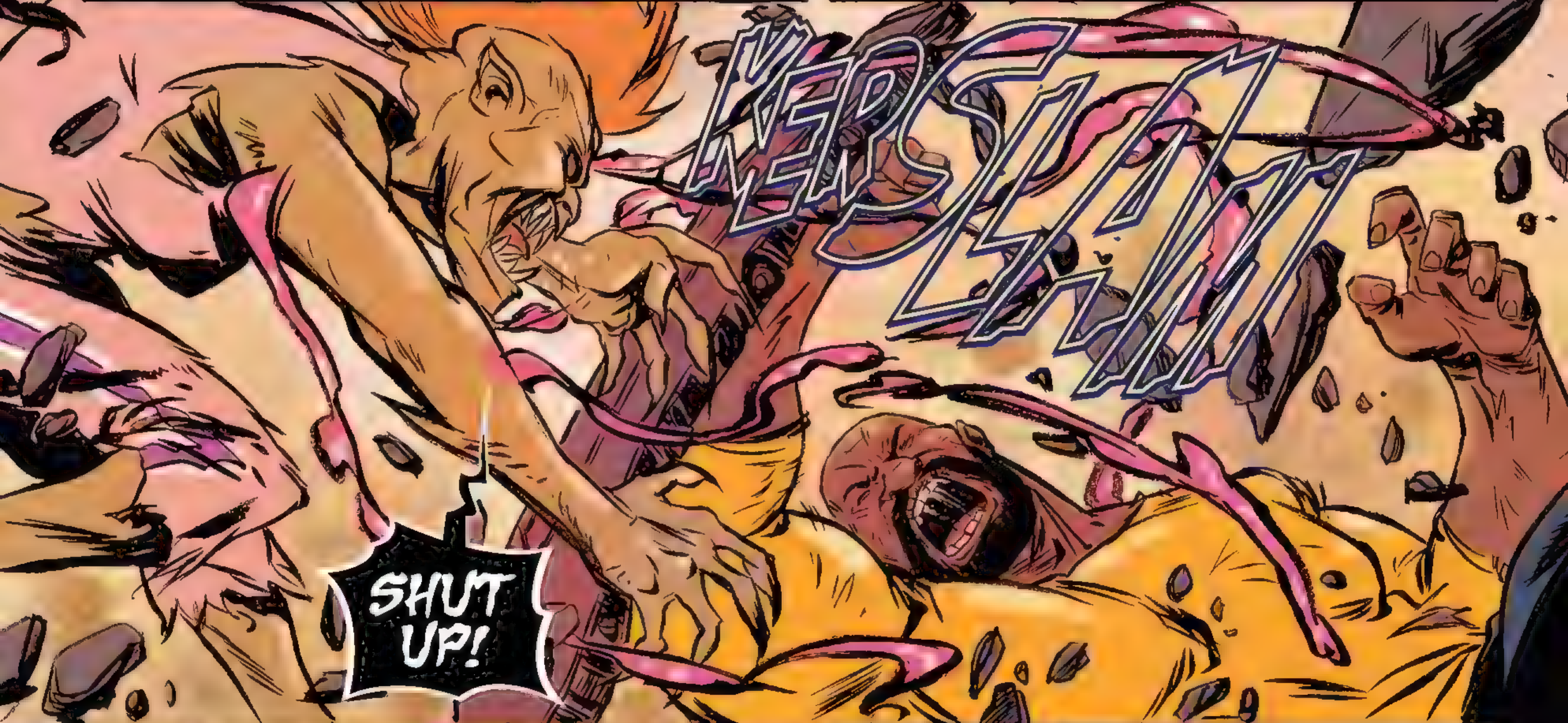
AS THEIR FRIENDSHIP CONTINUED TO DEVELOP, JENNIE AND MARIAH BEGAN TO SHARE THEIR DREAMS WITH EACH OTHER.

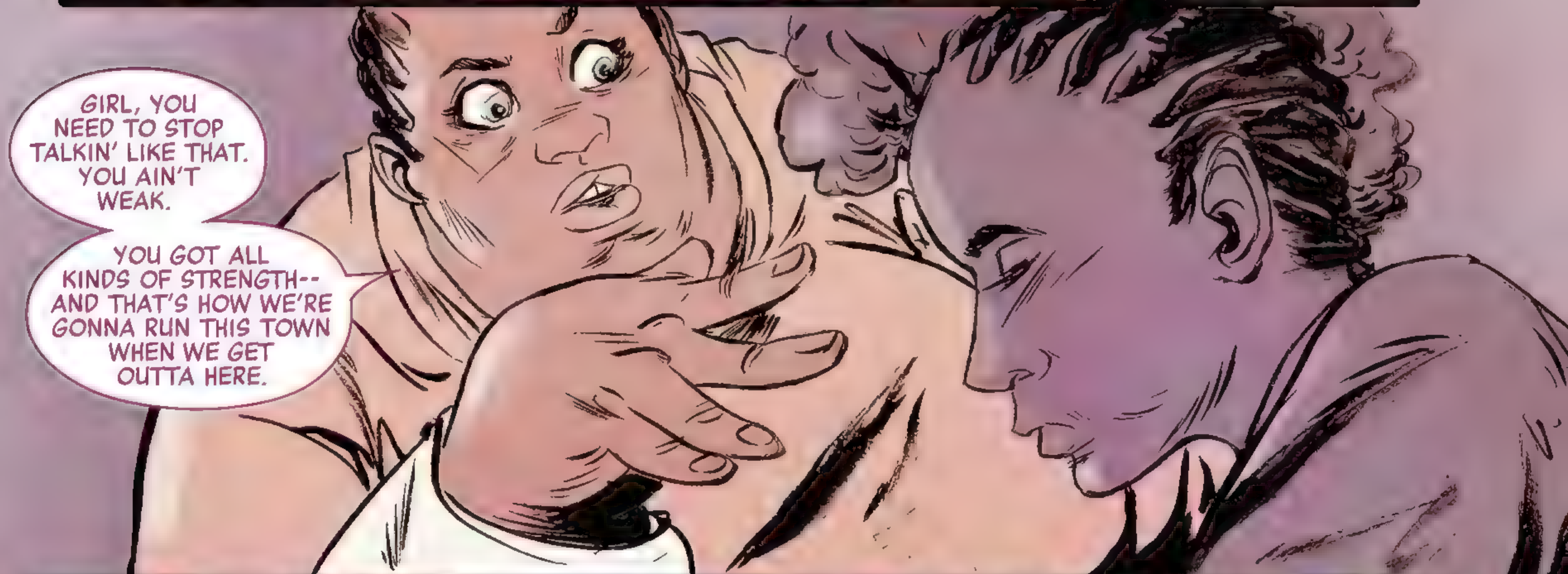
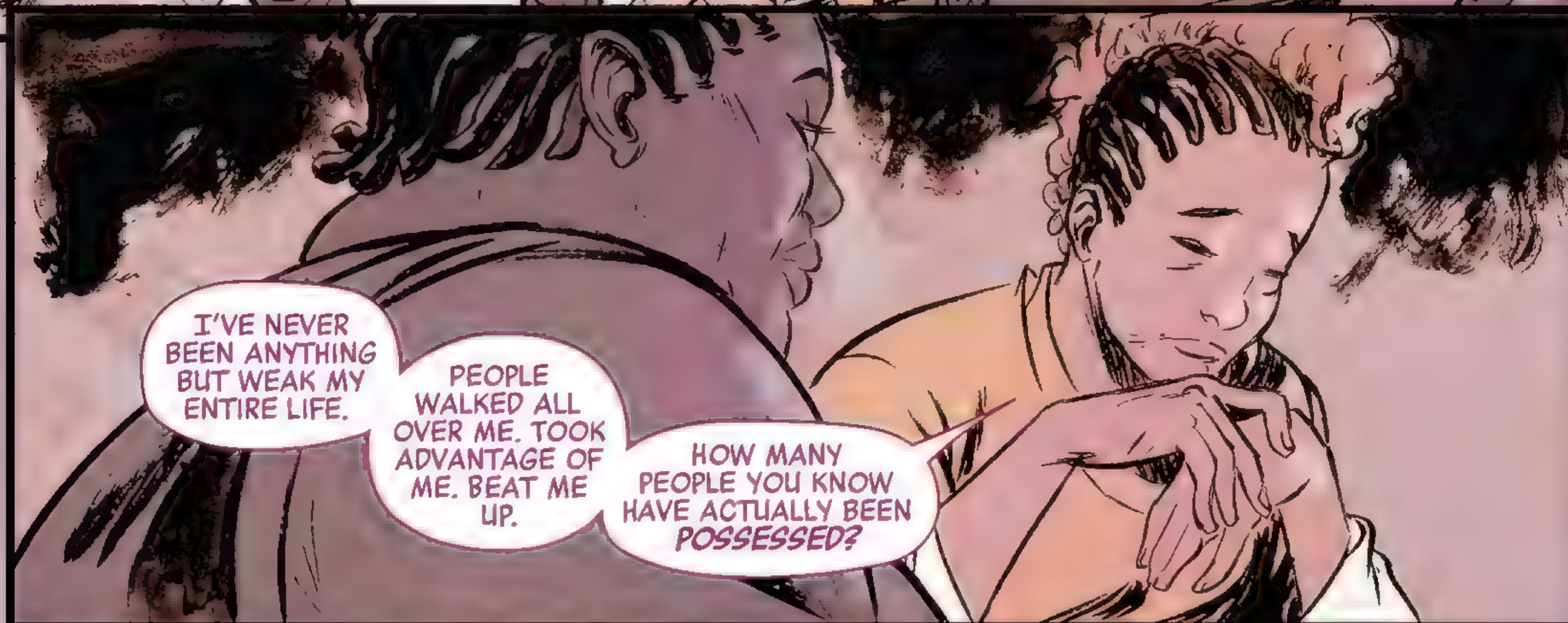
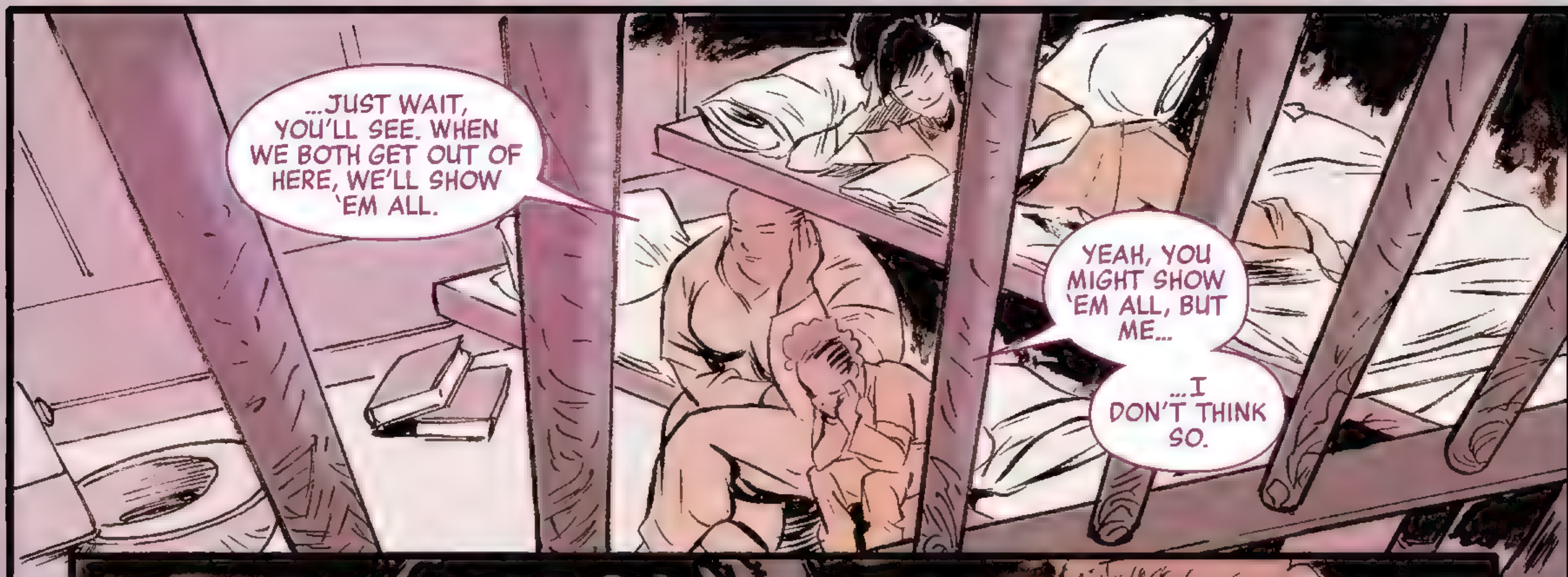
THEY BEGAN TO MAKE PLANS FOR THE DAY WHEN THEY BOTH WERE NO LONGER INCARCERATED...

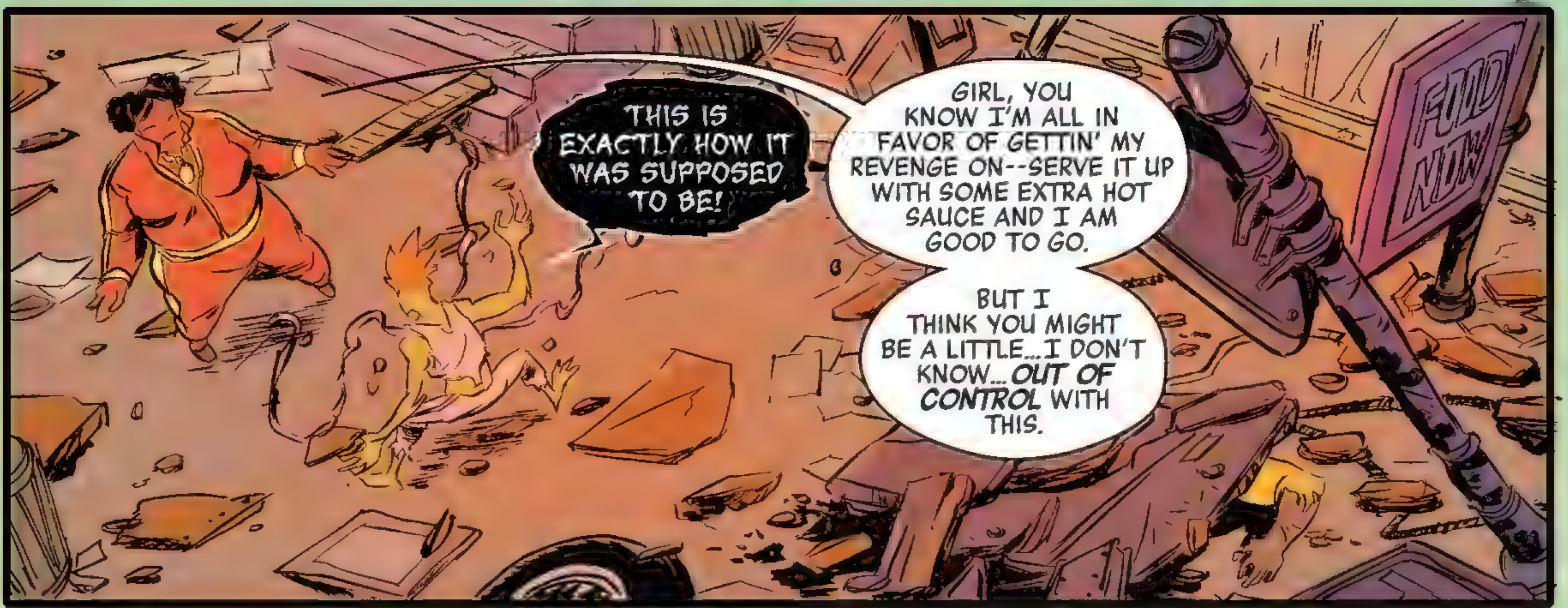












THIS IS
EXACTLY HOW IT
WAS SUPPOSED
TO BE!

GIRL, YOU
KNOW I'M ALL IN
FAVOR OF GETTIN' MY
REVENGE ON--SERVE IT UP
WITH SOME EXTRA HOT
SAUCE AND I AM
GOOD TO GO.

BUT I
THINK YOU MIGHT
BE A LITTLE...I DON'T
KNOW...**OUT OF
CONTROL** WITH
THIS.



**OUT OF
CONTROL?!**

I'VE NEVER
BEEN MORE IN
CONTROL!



AS MUCH AS I
DON'T LIKE SAYING
IT, MARIAH'S RIGHT,
JENNIE.



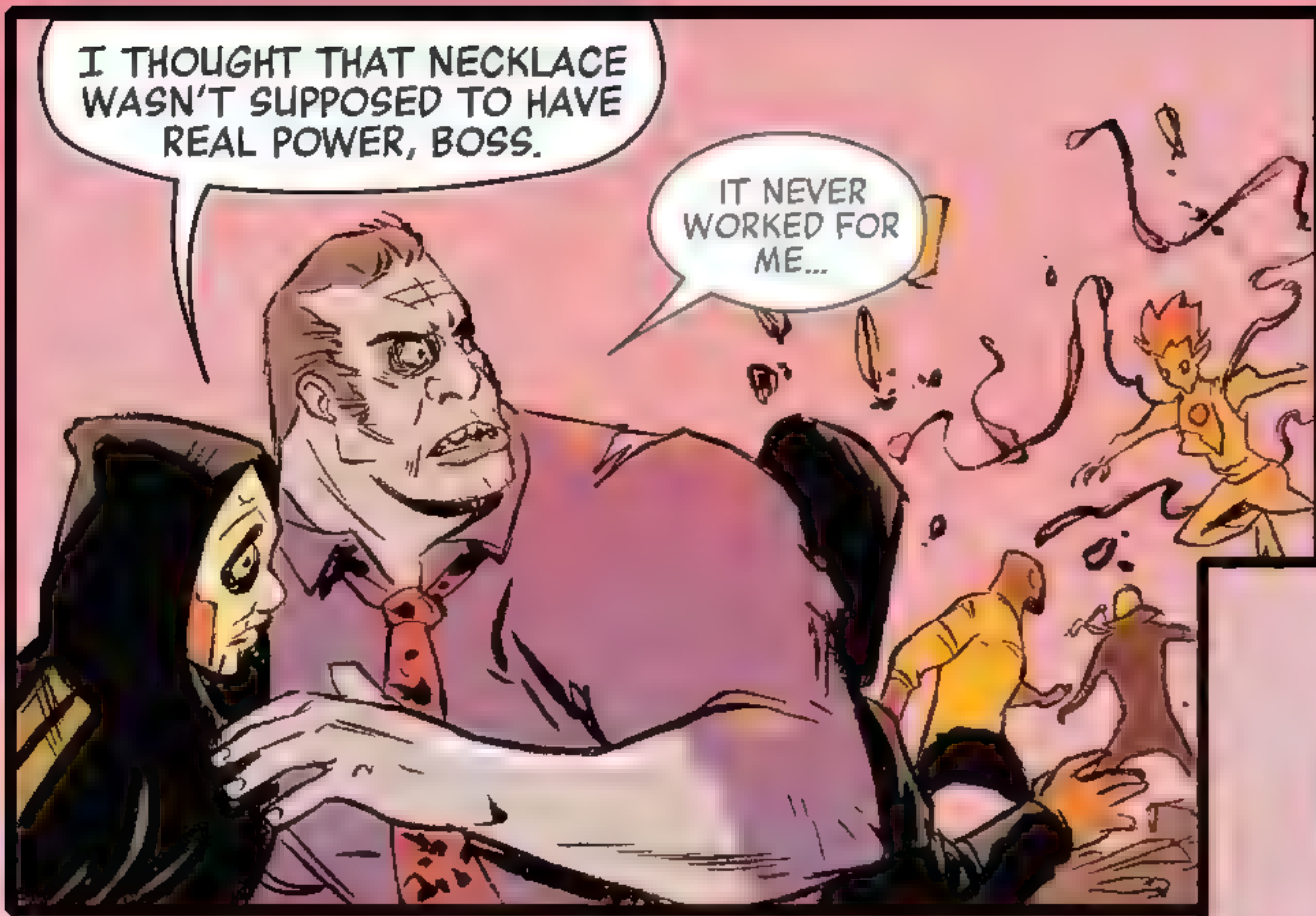
**STOP
TALKING!**



BALANG

THANKS,
BROTHER!

ANY
TIME.



I THOUGHT THAT NECKLACE WASN'T SUPPOSED TO HAVE REAL POWER, BOSS.

IT NEVER WORKED FOR ME...



...SEEIN' WHAT IT DOES TO FOLKS, CAN'T SAY I'M TOO UPSET ABOUT THAT NOW.



...KILL YOU ALL!



OKAY, WE KNOCK HER OUT, AND THEN TAKE THE NECKLACE OFF HER?

THAT'S THE PLAN. SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE.

AND WITH HER POWER, I WON'T REALLY HURT HER. WILL I?

JENNIE, YOU GOTTA STOP WITH THIS TALK OF KILLIN'!

YOU'RE STILL ON PROBATION, BOO-BOO!



YOU SURE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING?!

OF COURSE I'M SURE!

WOLVERINE TAUGHT ME THIS MOVE WHEN WE WERE IN THE AVENGERS.

GET
READY FOR THE
**FISTBALL
SPECIAL!**

SORRY,
JENNIE!

HERK!

YOU'RE JUST
LIKE ALL THE
OTHERS!

ATTACKING
ME! USING YOUR
STRENGTH
AGAINST ME!

OH, FIDDLE-
FADDLE.

BUT
I'M NOT WEAK
ANYMORE!

I'M
STRONG!

STRONG!



KERSLADAM

OOF. I'M SORRY, CHAKRA KHAN, 'CAUSE I KNOW THAT HURT.

UGH...FEELS LIKE I'VE BEEN RUN OVER BY A TRUCK.

YOU OKAY, KUNG FU GRIP?

GET AWAY FROM ME!

WATCH YOURSELF, HONG KONG PHOOEY!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU DID TO JENNIE, BUT YOU CHANGED HER!

I DIDN'T CHANGE HER!

PRISON CHANGED HER!

THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS!

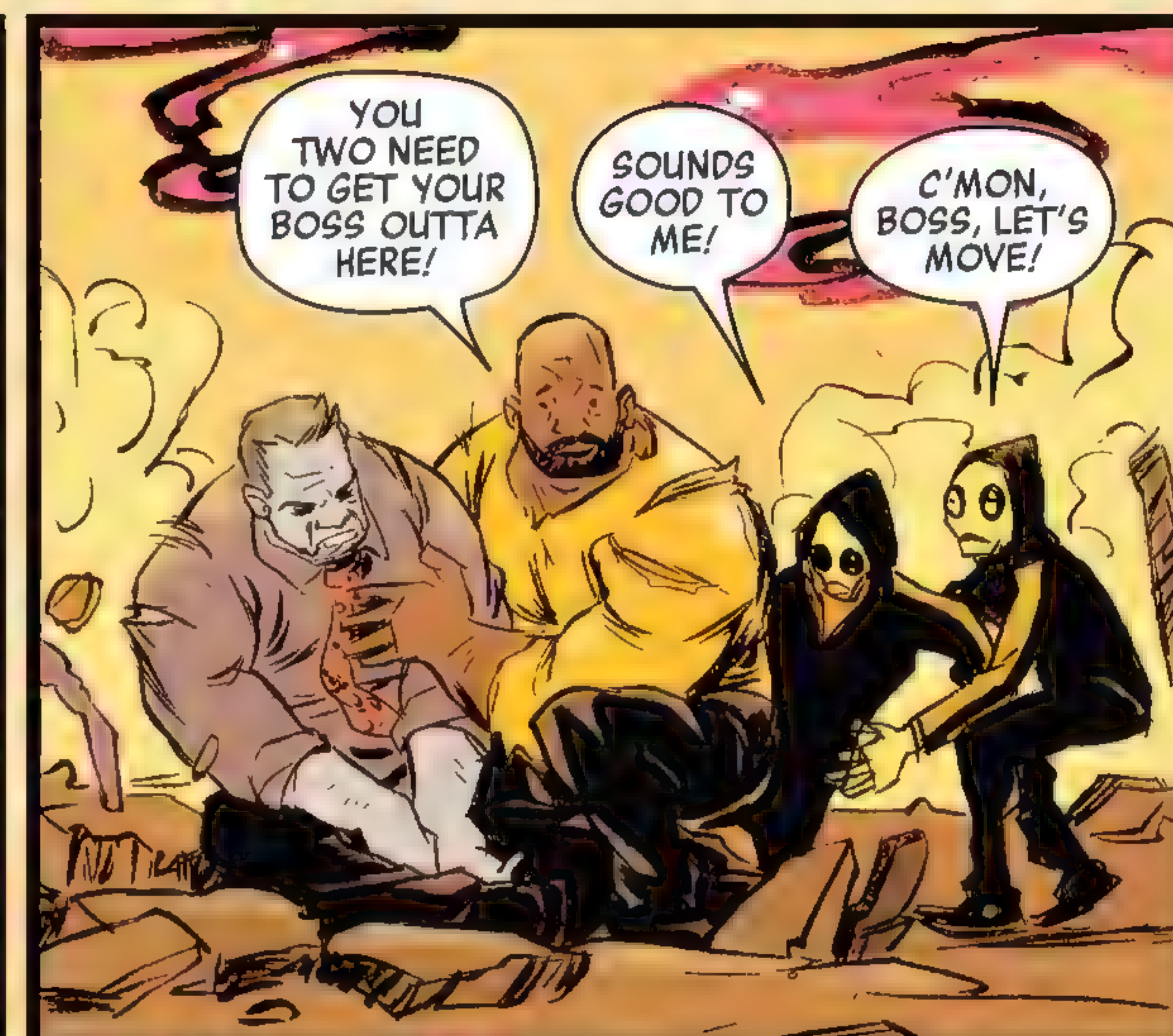
BESIDES, DID YOU EVER REALLY KNOW HER?!

THAT'S MY BEST FRIEND OVER THERE--YOU THINK I WANT HER BEIN' A MONSTER AND WHATNOT?!

THEN YOU NEED TO DO SOMETHING. HELP HER. THAT'S WHAT FRIENDS DO.

SURE, OKAY. HELP MY SCARY MONSTER BEST FRIEND.

LEAD THE WAY, KUNG FU HUSTLE.





JENNIE,
LISTEN TO ME. I
KNOW YOU'VE BEEN
DONE WRONG,
JUST LIKE I
HAVE...



"...BUT YOU'VE
BEEN DONE
RIGHT, TOO.

"AND ALL THIS
QUEEN KONG
NONSENSE AIN'T
GONNA UNDO ALL
THE ABUSE.

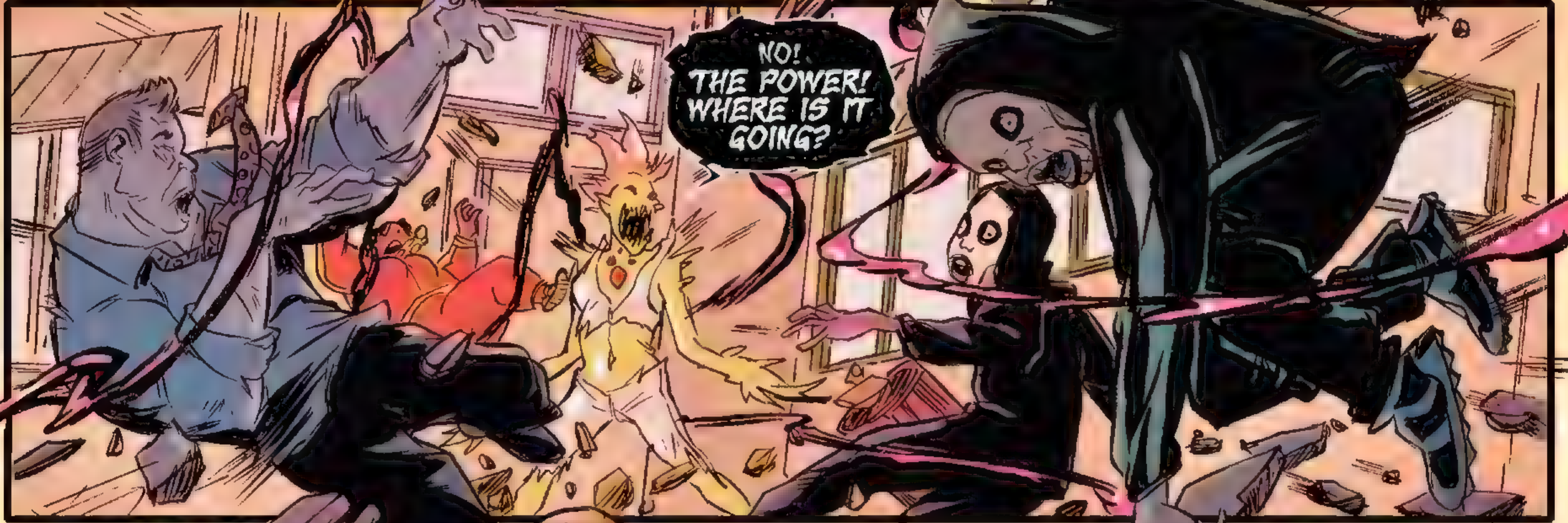
"YOU REALLY WANNA
KILL THESE FOOLS
AND END UP BACK IN
THE JOINT?"

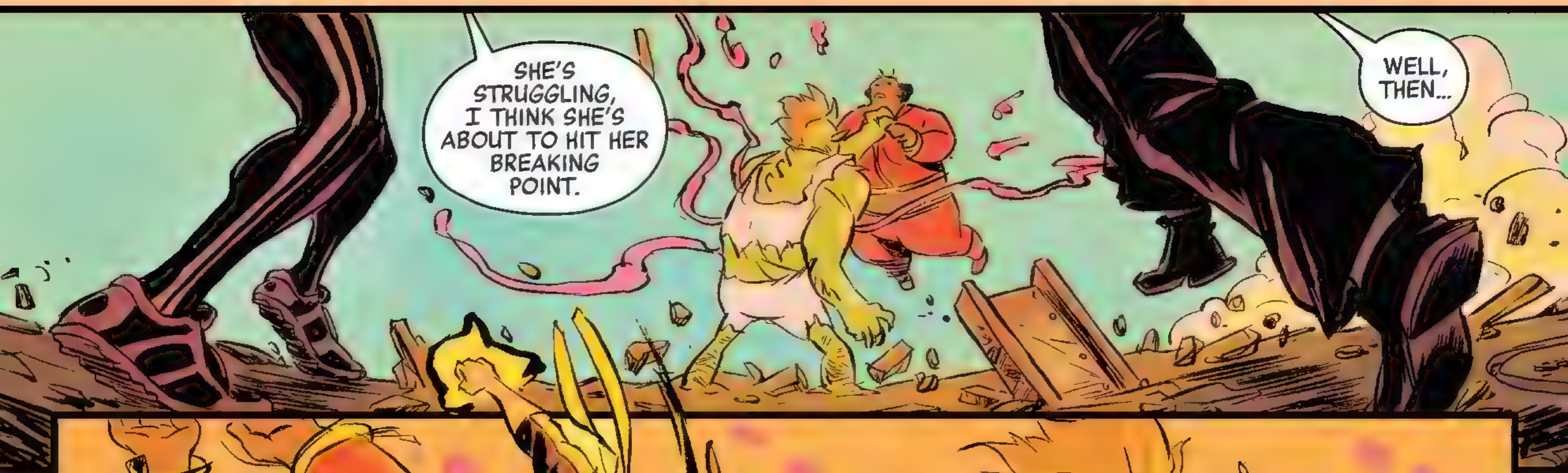


I CAN'T
BELIEVE WE GET
BACK TOGETHER AS A
TEAM JUST LONG ENOUGH
TO GET KILLED BY
OUR FORMER
SECRETARY.

AIN'T THAT
SOME FIDDLE-
FADDLE?

SHE WASN'T
OUR SECRETARY,
SHE WAS...WAIT...
WE'RE BACK TOGETHER
AS A TEAM?
REALLY?





SHE'S STRUGGLING, I THINK SHE'S ABOUT TO HIT HER BREAKING POINT.

WELL, THEN...



...I GUESS WE GOTTA HELP HER GET THERE.



C'MON, JENNIE, WE DON'T WANNA HURT YOU, WE WANT TO HELP!

JENNIE, PLEASE...

FRIENDS ONLY HURT. ALWAYS.



I DON'T WANT TO HURT ANYMORE!

ZABOOOM







IT'S OVER.

TOLDJA SEÑOR MÁGICO KNEW HIS STUFF...



"...THE POWER OF THE SUPERSOUL CAN ONLY BE DEFEATED BY A STRENGTH GREATER THAN THE STRENGTH IT GIVES."



THAT BELONGS TO ME!

HAND IT OVER BEFORE THINGS GET UGLY!



THINGS ARE ALREADY UGLY, LONNIE. OR AIN'T YOU LOOKED IN A MIRROR RECENTLY?

WHAT MY PARTNER IS TRYING TO SAY IS THERE'S NO WAY WE'RE GIVING YOU SOMETHING WITH THIS MUCH POWER.

AND THAT YOU'RE UGLY.

THAT, TOO.



YOU IDIOTS DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT YOU STARTED. NOBODY MESSES WITH LONNIE LINCOLN AND GETS AWAY WITH IT!



HE KNOWS THAT WE CAN'T HEAR MOST OF WHAT HE SAYS, RIGHT?

I USED TO THINK IT WAS SOME KINDA POWER PLAY, BUT HONESTLY, I DON'T KNOW ANYMORE.



I'M SO SORRY, MARIAH. WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN TO US NOW?

I DON'T KNOW, BOO-BOO. BUT WHATEVER IT IS...

EPILOGUE.

"...WE'RE IN IT TOGETHER."

NO, SERIOUSLY, I'M FINE. YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY.

WHY CAN'T YOU JUST COME OUT AND SAY IT? "JESSICA, DANNY AND I ARE BACK TOGETHER."

IT WILL MAKE BOTH OF US FEEL SO MUCH BETTER IF YOU JUST SAY IT.

IS THAT JESSICA? TELL HER I SAID "HEY."

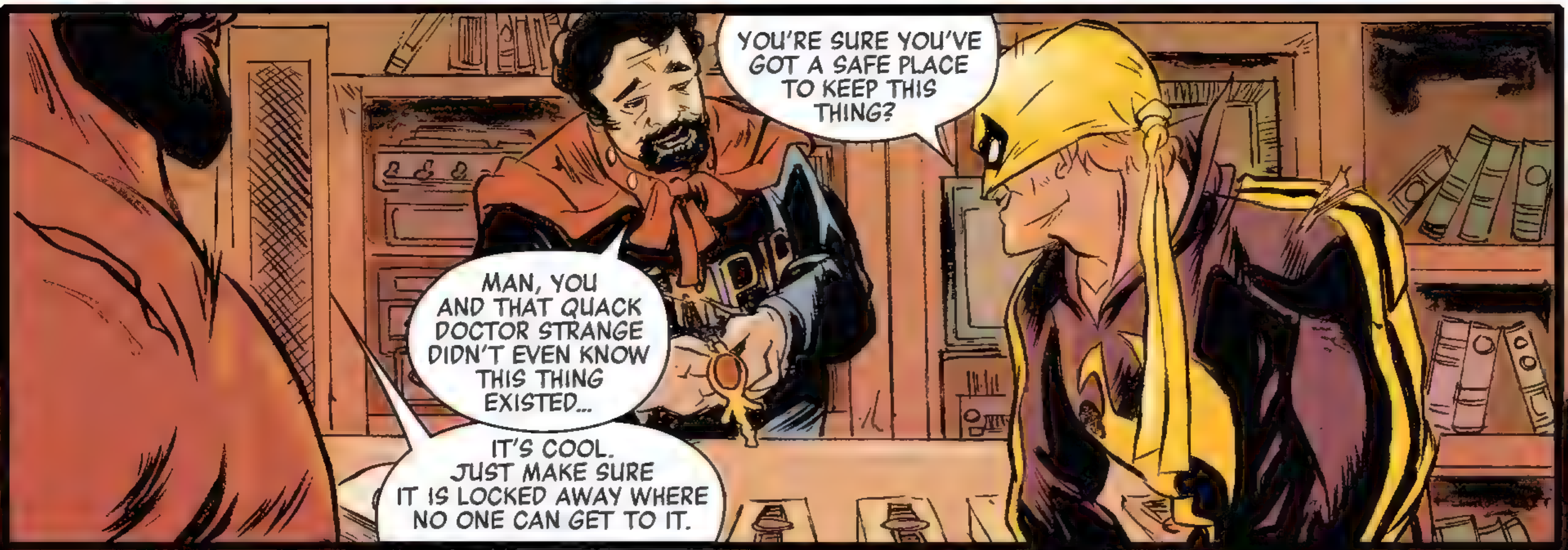
WE'LL TALK WHEN I GET HOME... I LOVE YOU.

AW, MAN, DID YOU JUST HANG UP? YOU DIDN'T TELL HER I SAID "HEY."

SEE, THIS IS WHY JESSICA HATES ME.

SHE DOESN'T HATE YOU.

LET'S GO, WE'VE GOT SOMETHING TO TAKE CARE OF.



YOU'RE SURE YOU'VE GOT A SAFE PLACE TO KEEP THIS THING?

MAN, YOU AND THAT QUACK DOCTOR STRANGE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW THIS THING EXISTED...

IT'S COOL. JUST MAKE SURE IT IS LOCKED AWAY WHERE NO ONE CAN GET TO IT.



I GOT A STORAGE UNIT ON THE ASTRAL PLANE THAT'S GUARDED BY HELL-SPAWNED PITBULLS. AIN'T NO PLACE SAFER.

NOW, TELL ME-- WHAT'S THE DEAL? YOU TWO BACK TOGETHER?



SURE.

YES!



YOU KNOW, YOU SHOULD CONSIDER SOME KIND OF COSTUME.

NO COSTUME.

BUT POWER MAN NEEDS A COSTUME.

I'M ALREADY REGRETTING THIS.

WH4H



JIMBO

(HOST OF THE
YO, JIMBO! SHOW.)

...WELCOME BACK
TO **THE YO, JIMBO!
SHOW**. LET'S GET RIGHT
TO IT--POWER MAN AND
IRON FIST ARE **BACK
IN ACTION!**

THIS IS
ALL ANYONE
HAS BEEN TALKIN'
'BOUT ON THE
WEB.

WE'VE SEEN
THE VIDEO FROM
A FEW WEEKS BACK.
AND THERE'S PICTURES
ALL OVER THE
PLACE.

BUT NOW
THERE'S A **NEW
VIDEO...**

...AND
IT IS A
DOOZY!

THIS WAS
POSTED LESS THAN
TWELVE HOURS AGO
AND IT ALREADY HAS
OVER A MILLION
VIEWS.

IN CASE
YOU DON'T
RECOGNIZE THE GUY
IN PURPLE--THE ONE
THAT LOOKS LIKE THE
LOVECHILD OF PRINCE
AND MR. T--THAT'S
**MANSLAUGHTER
MARSDALE.**

KARA SAWA

(PRODUCER OF THE
YO, JIMBO! SHOW.)

CALLER
ON LINE
ONE.

HEY,
CALLER, YOU'RE
ON THE AIR.

YO,
JIMBO, WHAT
UP...

....I'M RALPHIE
AARON SHOMON,
THE GUY THAT RECORDED
THE FIGHT. I SAW
IT ALL...

CALLER #1
(THE WITNESS.)

"...IT WAS MAD CRAZY!"



"DUDE IN THE PURPLE PANTS PICKED
UP THE HOT DOG CART AND HE
THREW IT AT POWER MAN."

"AND THEN IRON FIST WAS ALL
LIKE, 'YO, I AIN'T HAVIN' IT,' AND
HE DID THIS DONNIE YEN THING.
BOOM! KICKED THE HOT DOG
CART LIKE IT OWED HIM MONEY."

WU-
TAH!

NOT THE
CART! NOT THE
CART!



IT GOT
CRAZIER FROM
THERE. HOT DOGS
FLYIN' ALL OVER THE
PLACE, MR. PURPLE
PANTS--

MANSLAUGHTER
MARSDALE.

YEAH, HIM--
HE'S LOSIN' HIS MIND
LIKE KANYE AT AN AWARD
SHOW. ONLY YOU COULDN'T
UNDERSTAND HIM, 'CAUSE
IRON FIST DONE KICKED
OUT HIS TEETH!



HOLD ON, WE'VE GOT ANOTHER CALLER ON LINE TWO.

YO, JIMBO, I BELIEVE YOU ARE MISTAKEN...



...IN THAT THE MONIKER OF "POWER MAN" IS NOW BEING USED BY SOMEONE ELSE.

AIN'T NO MISTAKE. YOU WATCHIN' THE VIDEO?

INDEED, I AM. AND WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, THE PERSON IN THIS VIDEO IS LUKE CAGE, WHO NO LONGER GOES BY THE CODENAME "POWER MAN."

CALLER #2
(THE WIKI EDITOR.)

THE "POWER MAN" DESIGNATION IS BEING USED BY ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL, WHOSE TRUE IDENTITY REMAINS A SECRET.

LUKE CAGE IS POWER MAN, AND A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME WOULD NOT SMELL AS SWEET.

YOU ARE IGNORING THE CURRENTLY ESTABLISHED PROTOCOLS OF--

EASE BACK ON THE THROTTLE, NERDLINGER.

I AM NOT A NERD, I AM AN ENTHUSIAST, WHICH IS WHY I AM EXCITED AT THE PROSPECT OF IRON FIST RE-TEAMING WITH LUKE CAGE...



...BUT LUKE CAGE IS NOT "POWER MAN" ANYMORE.

YOU'RE TRIPPIN', SON. LUKE CAGE IS, WAS, AND FOREVER WILL BE POWER MAN.

LATER FOR YOU.



"HEY, THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT US ON THE RADIO."



IN
CASE YOU
JUST TUNED
IN, THIS IS THE
YO, JIMBO!
SHOW...

SOMEONE
RECORDED
THAT FIGHT WE HAD
YESTERDAY, AND NOW
IT'S GONE VIRAL.
THAT'S FREE
PUBLICITY!

GREAT.
MORE FREE
PUBLICITY.

...AND WE'RE
TALKIN' THE RETURN OF
IRON FIST AND POWER
MAN.

I'M
CARRYING ALL
THIS HEAVY STUFF
BY MYSELF.

START
CHANNELING
SOME OF THAT CHI
OF YOURS SO WE CAN
GET THIS FURNITURE
MOVED IN.

THEY'RE
BACK TOGETHER,
FOLKS!

CAN'T WE
JUST ENJOY THE
MOMENT?

WE'RE
GETTING LOVE.
PEOPLE LOVE
US. US! YOU
AND ME!

THIS IS BETTER THAN THE TIME
BOBBY BROWN REUNITED
WITH NEW EDITION.

WHAT'RE
YOU DOING?

INSTALLING
SEAT BELTS,
SO YOU'LL STOP
COMPLAINING.

WHAT DO
THE REST OF
YOU THINK ABOUT
THE RETURN OF THE
TRUE DYNAMIC
DUO?

WE'VE GOT
ANOTHER CALLER
ON THE LINE.

YEAH MAN, THITH ITH MANTHLAUGHTER MARTHDALE. I HEARD YOU BEEN TALKIN' A LOTTA THMACK 'BOUT ME, AND THAT AIN'T COOL.

I DON'T APPRETHEIATE YOU THAYIN' I LOOK LIKE THE LOVE CHILD OF MITHTER T AND PRINTH, R.I.P.

CALLER #3
(THE VIDEO STAR.)

WHAT CAN I SAY? I NEVER MEANT TO CAUSE YOU ANY SORROW. I NEVER MEANT TO CAUSE YOU ANY PAIN...

YOU AIN'T FUNNY. WE'LL THEE HOW FUNNY YOU ARE WHEN I COME DOWN AND KICK YOUR ATH.

BIG TALK FOR A MAN WHO GOT HIS TEETH KNOCKED OUT BY IRON FIST.

CAN YOU SAY, "SHE SELLS SEASHELLS BY THE SEASHORE"? BETCHA CAN'T.

YEAH, IRON FITHT KNOCKED OUT THOME TEETH. AIN'T NO THING. I'M MANTHLAUGHTER MARTHDALE. I DON'T FEEL PAIN.

HOW ABOUT HUMILIATION? YOU FEEL THAT?

'CAUSE I'VE WATCHED THIS VIDEO ABOUT TWO DOZEN TIMES... AND...WELL...I'M HUMILIATED FOR YOU, PLAYA.

THAT VIDEO AIN'T THOWING THE WHOLE THING. YOU FEEL ME?

LET ME TELL YOU WHAT HAPPENED...

THIS'LL BE GOOD.

HOW IT WENT DOWN,
ACCORDING TO
MANSLAUGHTER
MARSDALE.



YOU GOT IT, MR. MANSLAUGHTER, SIR, YOUR USUAL--THE JUMBO FRANK WITH MUSTARD AND EXTRA SAUERKRAUT.

THANK YOU, MY MAN. YOU ALWAYS DO IT RIGHT.



AND IT IS ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO SEE YOU, MR. MANSLAUGHTER.

YOU'RE A CREDIT TO SUPER-POWERED PEOPLE WHO DON'T FEEL ANY PAIN.



HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, SUCKER!

THE NAME'S POWER MAN, TURKEY!

LUKE CAGE?! I AIN'T GOT NO BEEF WITH YOU!



AND I'M HERE TO BUST YOU UP!

THAT'S RIGHT! SHOW HIM WHO'S BOSS, POWER MAN!

"HOLD UP. YOU'RE TELLIN' ME THAT POWER MAN-- A MEMBER OF THE AVENGERS-- JUMPED YOU FOR NO REASON?"



HOW IT WENT DOWN,
ACCORDING TO THE
HOT-DOG GUY.

YOU CAN'T
KEEP SHAKIN' ME
DOWN FOR PROTECTION
MONEY, MR. MARSDALE.
I'M A SMALL-BUSINESS
OPERATOR, I CAN'T
AFFORD IT.

QUIT YER
YAPPIN'...

AND
GET ME MY
MONEY!

AND A
HOT DOG WITH
EXTRA 'KRAUT,
'FORE I BUST YOU
UPSIDE THE
HEAD!

HOLD IT
RIGHT THERE!
YOUR THIEVING
DAYS ARE
OVER!

OH, NO!
IT'S POWER
MAN!

I
DIDN'T
KNOW HE
COULD
FLY.

HOLD UP,
YOU'RE SAYIN'
THAT POWER MAN
CAN NOW
FLY?

YES,
SIR. I SAW IT
WITH MY OWN
EYES...

...POWER
MAN CAN
FLY.

THIS
IS ALL YOUR
FAULT!

WHAT'S
ALL MY
FAULT?

ALL OF THIS
FIDDLE-FADDLE! PEOPLE
ACTUALLY LISTEN TO THIS SHOW,
AND NOW THEY'RE GONNA
THINK I CAN FLY!



WHAT'RE
YOU GETTING
UPSET ABOUT?
BECAUSE PEOPLE
THINK YOU
CAN FLY?

I WISH
PEOPLE THOUGHT
I COULD FLY. THAT
WOULD BE SO
COOL.



IT'S NOT THAT PEOPLE
WILL THINK I CAN FLY. IT'S
THAT YOU DON'T THINK
THINGS THROUGH, AND
THEN IT ALL GOES
WRONG.



WHAT'RE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?

HOW IS THIS
SITUATION THE
RESULT OF ME
NOT THINKING
SOMETHING
THROUGH?

JUST...DON'T...
OKAY...

I'M GONNA
TAKE CARE OF
THIS.

COOL.
I'LL COME WITH
YOU.





...THIS IS *THE*
YO, JIMBO! SHOW,
AND IF YOU'RE JUST
TUNING IN, WE'RE TALKING
ABOUT THE RETURN OF MY
FAVORITE CRIMEFIGHTING
TEAM, POWER MAN
AND IRON FIST.

IT SEEMS
SOME PEOPLE
ARE UNDER THE
IMPRESSION THAT
POWER MAN CAN
NOW FLY.



ANYONE
SEEN POWER MAN
FLY? WE'RE TAKING
CALLS.

**KNOCK
KNOCK**



HEY,
WE'RE ON THE
AIR, HERE...



SORRY...

WE FIGURED
YOU WOULDN'T
BELIEVE IT WAS
US IF WE JUST
CALLED IN.



24 HOURS EARLIER...
(GIVE OR TAKE A FEW HOURS.)

WHAT IS
THIS THING?

IT'S A
MODIFIED VERSION
OF THE FANTASTIC FOUR'S
FANTASTICAR. I BUILT IT
MYSELF, USING INSTRUCTIONS
I FOUND ON THE
INTERNET.

WE CAN
CALL IT THE
POWER-FIST
MOBILE.

OKAY, LOOK...
FIRST OF ALL, I CAN
THINK OF AT LEAST THREE
REASONS WHY **POWER-FIST**
IS A BAD NAME FOR
THIS THING.

IT'S
A **GREAT**
NAME.

MAYBE IT'S
A GREAT NAME
IN K'UN LUN, BUT
WE AIN'T IN
K'UN LUN.

FINE. I'LL
CALL IT THE
FIST MOBILE,
AND LEAVE YOU OUT
OF THE FUN. NO
POWER-FIST
FOR YOU.

ANY OTHER
PROBLEMS?

DUDE,
THERE ARE NO
SEAT BELTS.

NEVER
THOUGHT I'D SEE
THE DAY WHERE BIG,
BAD, **UNBREAKABLE** LUKE
CAGE WAS WORRIED
ABOUT SEAT
BELTS.

THIS
THING GOT
AIRBAGS?

"OKAY, CAN I
INTERERRUPT, JIMBO?"



"...A SAFETY BAR."

PLEASE, GOD, DON'T LET ME DIE... NOT LIKE THIS...

YES! THIS IS SO AWESOME!



...I WOULDN'T HAVE FALLEN OUT IF THAT THING HAD SEAT BELTS, AND IF YOU WEREN'T FLYING LIKE A MANIAC. DO YOU EVEN HAVE A LICENSE?



I INSTALLED SEAT BELTS! WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME?

I WANT YOU TO ADMIT YOU CAN'T FLY THAT THING, AND THAT YOU ALMOST KILLED ME!



DO THEY NOT KNOW THAT THIS IS AIRING LIVE?

JESSICA JONES

(LUKE'S OTHER HALF; RELUCTANT LISTENER OF THE YO, JIMBO! SHOW.)

OKAY, SO, WE'VE ESTABLISHED THAT THE TWO OF YOU WERE OUT FLYING AROUND IN THE... POWER-FIST MOBILE.



FIST MOBILE.

GOT IT. SO...

"...WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?"

I LOVE ME SOME HOT DOGS, GONNA EAT ME UP THIS HOT DOG.



EAT IT UP. EAT UP THIS HOT DOOOOG.



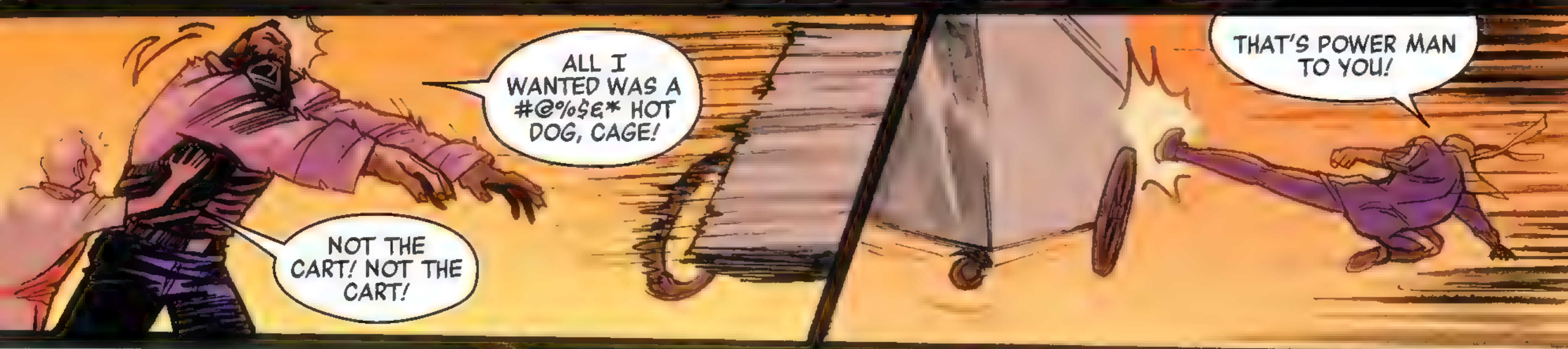
HULLN!

MY HOT
DOG!



CAGE!
I DON'T KNOW
WHAT YER TRYIN'
TA PULL...

WHA'
HAPPENED?



ALL I
WANTED WAS A
#@\$%* HOT
DOG, CAGE!

NOT THE
CART! NOT THE
CART!

THAT'S POWER MAN
TO YOU!



YOU
OKAY?

TOLD YOU
THAT THING
NEEDED SEAT
BELTS.

"HOLD ON A SECOND.
LET ME SEE IF I
GOT THIS STRAIGHT..."



...THIS WAS
ALL AN ACCIDENT?
NOT SOME VENDETTA
AGAINST MANSLAUGHTER
MARSDALE? NOT YOU GUYS
COMING TO THE AID OF A
HELPLESS HOT DOG
VENDOR?

WELL,
MANSLAUGHTER
WAS SHAKING DOWN
THE HOT DOG GUY
FOR PROTECTION
MONEY...SO...
YOU KNOW...



...IT
ALL WORKED
OUT.

CREAK



YEAH, TURNS
OUT MANSLAUGHTER'S
BEEN SHAKIN' DOWN FOOD
CART VENDORS FOR
MONTHS...

OH,
BOY...



I TOLD JIMBO
TO THTOP TALKIN'
THMACK!

I THAID
HE'D BE THORRY
HE METHED WITH
ME!



THIS GUY MUST
BE A GLUTTON FOR
PUNISHMENT!

THAT'S
BECAUSE HE
CAN'T FEEL
PAIN!

WE
GOTTA GET YOU
OUTTA HERE,
JIMBO!



KRASH!!

DON'T METH WITH MANTHLAUGHTER MARTHDALE!

FIST, GET EVERYONE TO SAFETY!

ON IT!

I ONLY WANTED A HOT DOG!

KAKRASH!!

THIS GUY CAN'T FEEL PAIN?

WHICH MEANS WE CAN'T BEAT HIM INTO SUBMISSION.

NOT A THING.

NOPE, GONNA NEED A DIFFERENT PLAN.

KIIIIYAH!



ROPE-A-DOPE?

HERNH!

ROPE-A-DOPE.

CLASSIC.

ARRRH!

HNH...
GRRRAAH...
HNH...

HNH...GONNA...
HNH...GET YA...
ONTH YA...HOLD
THILL...

ONLY...
HUH...WANTED...
HUH...A HOT
DOG...



THE NEXT DAY...

HEY, Y'ALL, IT'S
THE YO, JIMBO!
SHOW. TODAY WE'RE
TALKING ABOUT THE EPIC
BATTLE THAT TOOK
PLACE RIGHT
HERE!

MORE THAN
A DOZEN DIFFERENT
VIDEOS HAVE BEEN
UPLOADED.

WATCH
'EM ALL, TELL US
WHICH IS YOUR
FAVORITE.



THE END!



JOHN TYLER CHRISTOPHER
001 ACTION FIGURE VARIANT



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001 ACTION FIGURE VARIANT



**TREVOR VON EEDEN &
RACHELLE ROSENBERG**
1 CLASSIC VARIANT



CHRIS VISIONS
1 VARIANT



THEOTIS JONES
1 HIP-HOP VARIANT



BILL SIENKIEWICZ
2 VARIANT



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